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PREFACE.

Many thoughtful educators agree on the following points with regard to spelling:—

1. That numerous difficult words are so unusual that one may be pardoned reference to a dictionary on the rare occasions when he needs to use them. It is a waste of a child's mental energy to make him learn to spell words like *chameleon* and *adipocere*, as long as he spells *which* with a *t* and *together* with an *a*.

2. That many words are so easy that they may be learned from general reading by the process of unconscious absorption.

3. That words should be arranged "so as not to bring together a number of words of the same combination, and thereby," as W. T. Harris, United States Commissioner of Education, well says, "paralyze the memory, as is too frequently the case in the lists given in spelling-books, which, for example, collect in one lesson the words ending in *tion*, or *tain*, or *ture*, or *cious*, etc., thus giving to the pupil by the first word that is spelled a key to all that follow." Words of the same combination of letters can be learned, no doubt, in a short time, but school examinations show that by this arrangement no lasting impression is made on the mind.

4. That, as the practical use of spelling is in connection with writing, most spelling exercises should be written.

5. That it is manifestly absurd to learn how to spell a word of whose meaning and pronunciation one is ignorant.

The compiler of the following spelling-list believes that concentration on those words, that experience shows are most frequently misspelled, is the only means of remedying the bad spelling that has been termed justly the reproach of American schools. The ability to write our mother tongue correctly should be the first requisite of a good education.

The following practical suggestions have proved useful in the class-room:—

It is well to make the written spelling lessons so short that accuracy and thoroughness may be insisted upon. A fixed proportion of the perfect mark should be deducted for each misspelled word. This proportion should be made so great that ten words missed in a lesson of twenty-five or fifty will give a failure for the exercise.

Instead of having the books in which the spelling exercise has been written exchanged and corrected by the pupils, it is better, where possible, that the exercise be corrected by the teacher, as the confusion likely to be made in the mind of the learner by the sight of words misspelled by another is thus avoided. Each mistake should

merely be checked, and at the next exercise the pupil should write the word correctly opposite the error. He should also enter the word in a small note-book kept for the purpose, and these words should be reviewed every week or two in addition to the regular lesson, the fixed amount being deducted for each one misspelled. It would be well to have every member of the class always prepared to spell correctly the words that he has missed from the beginning of the term. A reputation for bad spelling is usually gotten by the habitual misspelling of a comparatively small number of words, so that much importance should be attached to these individual reviews of misspelled words. They can be recited most quickly orally, the pupils being called up one by one after the class has written the lesson for the day. While each is reciting his review, the rest of the class may be employed profitably in writing out an exercise or story showing the appropriate use of those words in the lesson that are most difficult to define. A few of these exercises should be read afterward and commented on by the teacher and the class. They will be found to show clearly mistakes that could not be so easily detected in any other way, such as: "I killed a zeal." "He made an *acquiesce* of his fault."

Some of the time allotted to spelling may be well employed in explaining the pronunciation and meanings of words in the next lesson, and, as the definitions in the dictionary are sometimes

obscure, the teacher should see that the use of the words is clearly understood.

An occasional oral review will be useful, and interest and attention may be secured by requiring the pupils to correct mistakes without having their attention called to them by the teacher. The first boy, for example, has misspelled his word ; the teacher without apparently noticing it gives another word to the second boy, who spells it correctly, but has not perceived the error of his neighbor ; number three, however, spells his own word and corrects number one's mistake, which is thereupon charged to numbers one and two, and the attention of the class called to the correct spelling of the word.

Experience in correcting exercises and compositions has shown that the words in this list are those that are most frequently misspelled. Words relating to particular subjects have to some extent been grouped, but, in order to adapt the book to all classes of learners, such arrangement has been made subordinate to the careful grading of the words.

A number placed after a word shows that the word has at least so many well defined uses ; as, for instance, *bound*, 4. I *bound* the ball. They *bound* the prisoner with cords. The ship is *bound* for London. He can *bound* New York.

No attempt has been made to exhaust all the

meanings of the numbered words. In the written spelling exercises definitions may be placed after the words thus numbered, and after words having the same sound but spelled differently, like *to, too, two*.

When words having the same or nearly the same meaning come together in the list they have usually been joined by a bracket, { *weary*
tired

The pronunciation of the more difficult words has been indicated in parentheses, but Worcester's dictionary should be consulted for the pronunciation and definition of each word about which there is any doubt on the part of the learner.

The compiler takes pleasure in acknowledging his indebtedness to his colleagues of the DeLancey School for many valuable suggestions in connection with the work.

KEY TO THE SOUNDS OF THE MARKED LETTERS.

ā long, fāte
ă short, făt
ä Italian, fär

â intermediate, fâst
â broad, fâll
a obscure, palace

ē long, kēēp
ě short, mět
ẹ obscure, fuẹl

ê like a in fare, thêre
ë obtuse, hër

ī long, pīne
ÿ short, pŷn

ì obscure, ruìn

ō long, nōte
ö short, nőt
ô close, mōve

ö broad, nör
o obscure, actör

ū long, pūre
û short, tūb

ú like yu, úse
û middle, pûll

ȳ long, tȳpe

ÿ short, sȳmbol

ġ hard, ġet

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| 1. much | 1. witch | { Be careful to sound
the <i>h</i> in all words in
<i>wh</i> ; do not pronounce
<i>which</i> like <i>witch</i> . |
| 2. sure | 2. which | |
| 3. very | 3. while | |
| 4. busy | 4. ease | |
| 5. to | 5. only | |
| 6. too | 6. also | |
| 7. two | 7. reach | |
| 8. touch | 8. again (<i>a-gĕn'</i>) | |
| 9. almost | 9. why | |
| 10. melt | 10. young | |
| 11. load | 11. tame | |
| 12. neat | 12. able | |
| 13. said | 13. twice | |
| 14. sweet | 14. catch (not <i>kĕtch</i>) | |
| 15. many | 15. so | |
| 16. there | 16. sew | |
| 17. their | 17. sow | |
| 18. stone | 18. clean | |
| 19. own | 19. whose | |
| 20. each | 20. bound 4 | |
| 21. loud | 21. paint | |
| 22. agree | 22. read | |
| 23. urge | 23. reed | |
| 24. dream | 24. gentle (sound the <i>t</i>) | |
| 25. plenty | 25. join | |

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| 1. cost | 1. please |
| 2. value | 2. alone |
| 3. gain | 3. sorry |
| 4. money | 4. every |
| 5. change 2 | 5. queer |
| 6. dollar | 6. weight |
| 7. buy | 7. wait |
| 8. by | 8. fair |
| 9. paid | 9. fare |
| 10. cheap | 10. little (sound the t's) |
| 11. owe | 11. meal 2 |
| 12. bought | 12. board 2 |
| 13. sell | 13. tight |
| 14. cell | 14. keen |
| 15. cheat | 15. no |
| 16. bargain | 16. know |
| 17. cent | 17. extra (not extry) |
| 18. sent | 18. near |
| 19. scent | 19. should |
| 20. bushel | 20. taste |
| 21. gallon | 21. I |
| 22. quart | 22. eye |
| 23. barrel | 23. deer |
| 24. inch | 24. dear |
| 25. ounce | 25. fail |

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| 1. way | 1. dinner |
| 2. weigh | 2. supper |
| 3. rough | 3. potato (not pertater) |
| 4. sleep | 4. bread |
| 5. roam | 5. egg |
| 6. Rome | 6. sugar |
| 7. once | 7. beef |
| 8. could | 8. cream |
| 9. see | 9. soup |
| 10. sea | 10. pie |
| 11. water | 11. cheese |
| 12. these | 12. toast |
| 13. clear | 13. mutton |
| 14. son | 14. tea |
| 15. sun | 15. china |
| 16. here | 16. jelly |
| 17. hear | 17. stew |
| 18. month | 18. sauce |
| 19. season | 19. meat |
| 20. year | 20. meet |
| 21. week | 21. saucer |
| 22. weak | 22. plate |
| 23. hour | 23. spoon |
| 24. our | 24. napkin |
| 25. shade | 25. loaf 2 |

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| 1. across | 1. enough |
| 2. heel | 2. your |
| 3. heal | 3. whom |
| 4. level | 4. fuel (fu'el not fule) |
| 5. obey | 5. coal |
| 6. scour | 6. wood |
| 7. fight | 7. would |
| 8. shoot | 8. smoke |
| 9. perch 3 | 9. iron |
| 10. friend | 10. steel |
| 11. taught | 11. steal |
| 12. road | 12. lead |
| 13. rode | 13. led |
| 14. rowed | 14. mighty |
| 15. eager | 15. learn { If you <i>teach</i> me, I
will <i>learn</i> . |
| 16. sign | 16. teach |
| 17. mine 2 | 17. soak |
| 18. sour | 18. common 2 |
| 19. careful | 19. taking { Sound the <i>g</i> in
all words in <i>ing</i> . |
| 20. knock | 20. seeing |
| 21. easy | 21. feel |
| 22. lazy | 22. duty |
| 23. toil | 23. weary } (not wē'ry) |
| 24. aim | 24. tired } |
| 25. letter 2 | 25. caught |

1. die	1. earth
2. dye	2. soil 2
3. sadder	3. cloud
4. least	4. mist
5. height	5. missed
6. width	6. hedge
7. breadth	7. lawn
8. pity	8. path
9. meek	9. marsh
10. notice	10. ledge
11. search	11. stream
12. carry	12. flood
13. not	13. ditch
14. knot	14. brook
15. edge	15. fountain
16. raise	16. spring 3
17. choice 2	17. shoal }
18. wool	18. shallow } (shāl'lō)
19. crowd	19. ripple
20. reap	20. deep
21. judge 2	21. slope
22. heap	22. coast 2
23. bloom	23. ridge
24. such	24. breeze
25. any	25. squall

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| 1. body | 1. nerve |
| 2. head | 2. lung |
| 3. heart | 3. pore 2 |
| 4. hart | 4. pour |
| 5. brain | 5. nostril |
| 6. breast | 6. knuckle |
| 7. limb | 7. stomach |
| 8. bone | 8. waist |
| 9. wrist | 9. waste |
| 10. ankle | 10. liver |
| 11. thigh | 11. scalp |
| 12. elbow | 12. loin |
| 13. throat | 13. forehead (fɔr'ɛd) |
| 14. tongue | 14. shoulder |
| 15. cheek | 15. beard |
| 16. ear | 16. foot 2 |
| 17. toe | 17. skull |
| 18. tow 2 | 18. palm 2 (pām never pām) |
| 19. mouth | 19. nose |
| 20. thumb | 20. knows |
| 21. feet | 21. hair |
| 22. feat | 22. hare |
| 23. blood | 23. sinew |
| 24. knee | 24. muscle |
| 25. joint | 25. tissue |

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| 1. truly | 1. chews |
| 2. sail | 2. choose |
| 3. sale | 3. really (rē'āl y) |
| 4. bait | 4. eight |
| 5. leave 2 | 5. ate |
| 6. rattle | 6. rolled |
| 7. evil | 7. pretty (prīt'y) |
| 8. wooden | 8. ware |
| 9. kneel | 9. wear |
| 10. taken | 10. where {Sound the h; do not
pronounce like wear. |
| 11. seam | 11. honest |
| 12. seem | 12. aid |
| 13. heavy | 13. charge 2 |
| 14. point 2 | 14. ball |
| 15. dead | 15. bawl |
| 16. been | 16. anger |
| 17. bin | 17. beggar |
| 18. team | 18. stout |
| 19. hurry | 19. afraid |
| 20. cheer | 20. creep |
| 21. always | 21. eat |
| 22. piece | 22. hungry |
| 23. peace | 23. smooth |
| 24. broad | 24. early |
| 25. stroke | 25. model |

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|-------------|---|------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1. sound | 2 | 1. neither | { Nē'ther is better
than nī'ther |
| 2. noise | | 2. either | |
| 3. clamor | | 3. be | |
| 4. shriek | | 4. bee | |
| 5. whine | | 5. fasten | |
| 6. shout | | 6. scale | 2 |
| 7. laugh | | 7. yellow | (not yellor) |
| 8. scream | | 8. sense | |
| 9. growl | | 9. cents | |
| 10. screech | | 10. float | |
| 11. roar | | 11. smear | |
| 12. squeal | | 12. beam | 2 |
| 13. sneeze | | 13. sleek | (not slick) |
| 14. squeak | | 14. bony | |
| 15. weep | | 15. hall | |
| 16. bleat | | 16. haul | |
| 17. groan | | 17. fault | |
| 18. grown | | 18. error | |
| 19. nimble | | 19. group | |
| 20. quick | | 20. tale | |
| 21. middle | | 21. tail | |
| 22. berry | | 22. leak | |
| 23. bury | | 23. sum | |
| 24. feed | | 24. some | |
| 25. bright | | 25. ready | |

1. tool	1. shovel
2. axe	2. spade
3. hatchet	3. hoe
4. hammer	4. scythe
5. chisel	5. sickle
6. plane	6. scissors
7. plain 2	7. shears
8. wedge	8. pincers
9. gimlet	9. tweezers
10. vice 2	10. fixture
11. nail	11. hydrant
12. screw	12. faucet
13. staple 2	13. bowl
14. awl	14. ladle
15. all	15. basin
16. chain	16. tureen
17. hinge	17. basket
18. pulley	18. crockery
19. rivet	19. teaspoon
20. knob	20. knife
21. cleat	21. fork
22. adze	22. sieve
23. gouge	23. griddle
24. rope	24. pail
25. wire	25. pale

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| 1. until | 1. busily |
| 2. till 3 | 2. east |
| 3. frolic | 3. half (hāf) |
| 4. pane | 4. fought |
| 5. pain | 5. herd |
| 6. shady | 6. heard |
| 7. range 2 | 7. cruel (two syllables) |
| 8. pledge | 8. base 2 |
| 9. hire | 9. bass |
| 10. higher | 10. often |
| 11. deed | 11. grief |
| 12. stain | 12. weave |
| 13. scrape 2 | 13. grate |
| 14. mound | 14. great |
| 15. leap | 15. fierce |
| 16. steep 2 | 16. abound |
| 17. died | 17. thought |
| 18. forty | 18. foe } |
| 19. him | 19. enemy } |
| 20. hymn | 20. naked (not neck'ed) |
| 21. drown | 21. seek |
| 22. chief | 22. made |
| 23. trouble | 23. maid |
| 24. union | 24. coming |
| 25. light 3 | 25. pleasant |

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| 1. image | 1. freeze |
| 2. pierce | 2. guard |
| 3. ably | 3. moist } |
| 4. faith | 4. damp } |
| 5. limit | 5. felt 2 |
| 6. proud | 6. dumb |
| 7. green | 7. deaf (dēf not dāf) |
| 8. youth | 8. already |
| 9. ruin (two syllables) | 9. foul |
| 10. sweep | 10. fowl |
| 11. ninety | 11. shadow (shād'ō not shadder) |
| 12. magic | 12. mean 2 |
| 13. growth | 13. daily |
| 14. silly | 14. brief |
| 15. forth | 15. lodge |
| 16. fourth | 16. abroad |
| 17. tread | 17. death |
| 18. fright | 18. loose { His tooth is so loose
he may lose it. |
| 19. tease | 19. lose |
| 20. stake | 20. seen |
| 21. steak | 21. scene |
| 22. moan | 22. gotten |
| 23. frown | 23. feather |
| 24. defeat | 24. earn |
| 25. voice | 25. urn |

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| 1. house | 1. cellar |
| 2. floor | 2. seller |
| 3. roof | 3. window (not win'der) |
| 4. chimney | 4. joist (not jois) |
| 5. room | 5. panel |
| 6. eaves | 6. hearth (härth not hërth) |
| 7. stair | 7. towel |
| 8. stare | 8. vase |
| 9. furnace | 9. closet |
| 10. shingle | 10. mattress (măt'rēs) |
| 11. oven | 11. pillow (not pillar) |
| 12. furniture | 12. pillar |
| 13. chair | 13. screen 2 |
| 14. table | 14. parlor |
| 15. sofa | 15. kitchen |
| 16. lounge 2 | 16. seat |
| 17. bureau | 17. settee (set tēē') |
| 18. bedstead | 18. bench |
| 19. cushion | 19. broom |
| 20. blanket | 20. spool |
| 21. couch | 21. sponge |
| 22. sheet | 22. comb |
| 23. quilt | 23. soap |
| 24. spread | 24. purse |
| 25. mirror | 25. valise |

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| 1. vein | 1. though |
| 2. vane | 2. scanty |
| 3. vain | 3. toward (tō'ārd not to wōrd') |
| 4. flight | 4. arrive |
| 5. attack | 5. strain |
| 6. glue | 6. morrow (not morrer) |
| 7. rather | 7. occur } |
| 8. speedy | 8. happen } |
| 9. feast | 9. greed |
| 10. single | 10. affair |
| 11. double | 11. nothing (not nothin') |
| 12. triple | 12. blue |
| 13. awake | 13. blew |
| 14. tax | 14. stretch |
| 15. tacks | 15. claim |
| 16. root | 16. gait |
| 17. twelve | 17. gate |
| 18. bleed | 18. serve |
| 19. asleep | 19. against (agēnst not agānst) |
| 20. joke | 20. warmth |
| 21. steer 2 | 21. pause |
| 22. peal | 22. paws |
| 23. peel | 23. folly |
| 24. stale | 24. habit |
| 25. wealthy | 25. welcome |

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| 1. coarse | 1. together |
| 2. course | 2. feeble |
| 3. meant | 3. beware |
| 4. circle | 4. contain |
| 5. roughly | 5. laid |
| 6. handle | 6. layer |
| 7. wholly | 7. sigh |
| 8. rear 3 | 8. faithful |
| 9. chance | 9. prompt |
| 10. birth | 10. fellow (not feller) |
| 11. berth | 11. eleven |
| 12. mould 2 | 12. rosy |
| 13. freight | 13. bad |
| 14. saddle | 14. bade (bād) |
| 15. mercy | 15. lofty |
| 16. badge | 16. errand |
| 17. streak | 17. guess { Do not say <i>I guess</i> ,
for <i>I think</i> . |
| 18. view | 18. pebble |
| 19. bubble | 19. rinse (not rēns) |
| 20. setting | 20. sole 2 |
| 21. gilt | 21. soul |
| 22. guilt | 22. dryly |
| 23. ache | 23. source |
| 24. notion | 24. built |
| 25. quarrel | 25. cunning |

I'm	=	I am	don't=do not	{ Never say He don't for He doesn't.
I'd	=	I would		
I'll	=	I will	doesn't=does not	
I've	=	I have	ar'n't=are not	
you'll	=	you will	Ain't should not be used under any circumstances.	
you've	=	you have	where's=where is	
we're	=	we are	needn't=need not	
we'll	=	we will	The apostrophe (') denotes the omission of a letter or letters.	
he's	=	he is		
she's	=	she is		
he'll	=	he will	1. narrow (not narrer)	
it's	=	it is	2. grade	
isn't	=	is not	3. witty	
hasn't	=	has not	4. limited	
we've	=	we have	5. office (ôffîce not or'fice)	
we'd	=	we would	6. greet	
wouldn't	=	would not	7. knight	
shouldn't	=	should not	8. night	
they'll	=	they will	9. saying (Sound the g)	
they're	=	they are	10. making	
didn't	=	did not	11. sought	
won't	=	will not	12. naughty	
haven't	=	have not	13. passage	
weren't	=	were not	14. saucy	
who'd	=	who would	15. merrily	

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| 1. through | 1. believe (bē lēv' not blēv) |
| 2. threw | 2. flaky |
| 3. thorough (thŭr'ō) | 3. squeeze |
| 4. puzzle | 4. useful |
| 5. luckily | 5. figure (fīg'yŭr) |
| 6. buckle | 6. ail |
| 7. rouse | 7. ale |
| 8. juice | 8. mellow (not meller) |
| 9. ring 2 | 9. beneath |
| 10. wring | 10. rap |
| 11. filthy | 11. wrap |
| 12. cause | 12. debt (dĕt) |
| 13. caws | 13. faint |
| 14. raid | 14. feint |
| 15. oar | 15. shove (shŭv) |
| 16. ore | 16. gallop |
| 17. o'er(abbreviation for over) | 17. league 2 |
| 18. guide | 18. frail |
| 19. need | 19. nineteen |
| 20. knead | 20. ninth |
| 21. rejoice | 21. wrong |
| 22. yeast | 22. nibble |
| 23. Dutch | 23. gnaw |
| 24. aloud | 24. nor |
| 25. allowed | 25. loop |

1. January,	Jan.	1. therefore
2. February,	Feb.	2. beginning
3. March,	Mar.	3. scratch
4. April,	Apr.	4. belief
5. May,	—	5. lane
6. June,	—	6. lain
7. July,	Jul.	7. salable
8. August,	Aug.	8. perhaps { (per haps' not praps)
9. September,	Sept.	9. doom
10. October,	Oct.	10. brittle
11. November,	Nov.	11. flew
12. December,	Dec.	12. flue
		13. engine { (ěnjŭn not ěnjŭne)
13. Sunday,	Sun.	14. rustle
14. Monday,	Mon.	15. break
15. Tuesday,	Tues.	16. brake
16. Wednesday,	Wed.	17. coax
17. Thursday,	Thur.	18. male
18. Friday,	Fri.	19. mail
19. Saturday,	Sat.	20. dread
Be careful to place a period after each abbreviation.		21. giddy }
The names of the seasons should not begin with capital letters.		22. dizzy }
ult., ultimo; of the last month.		23. reel 3
inst., instant; of the present month.		24. nowhere
prox., proximo; of the next month.		25. squirm

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| 1. because { (be cáws'
not be cōs) | 1. yesterday (not yes'tiddy) |
| 2. scorch | 2. doubly |
| 3. fried | 3. between |
| 4. honor | 4. arms 2 |
| 5. welfare | 5. alms (āms not äms) |
| 6. lone | 6. do |
| 7. loan | 7. due } (not do but dū ; should |
| 8. gleam | 8. dew } rhyme with pew) |
| 9. tickle | 9. hoist |
| 10. zeal | 10. memory (not mem'rý) |
| 11. reason | 11. shrewd |
| 12. question | 12. mouthful { Compounds in |
| 13. repair | 13. straight { ful form plurals |
| 14. action | 14. strait { regularly, |
| 15. circuit | 15. during { mouthfuls. |
| 16. grieve | 16. born { (börn) Washington |
| 17. command | 17. borne { (börne) The burden |
| 18. sorrowful | 18. measure { was born Feb. 22d. |
| 19. address | 19. degree { was borne by men. |
| 20. receive | 20. graze 2 |
| 21. destroy | 21. struggle |
| 22. fulfil | 22. bring |
| 23. bleach | 23. fetch=go and bring |
| 24. ground | 24. drier |
| 25. tuning | 25. excel |

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| 1. right | 1. heir (air) |
| 2. wright | 2. air |
| 3. rite | 3. e'er (contraction for ever) |
| 4. write | 4. heavily |
| 5. writing | 5. afford |
| 6. written | 6. bruise |
| 7. wrote | 7. brews |
| 8. sore | 8. listen |
| 9. soar | 9. deserve |
| 10. thither | 10. hungrily |
| 11. daring | 11. fourteen |
| 12. usage | 12. beautiful |
| 13. aware | 13. yield |
| 14. bridle | 14. shopping |
| 15. bridal | 15. beyond |
| 16. equal | 16. refer |
| 17. label | 17. alter |
| 18. slain | 18. altar |
| 19. murmur | 19. or |
| 20. fleece | 20. awe |
| 21. bleak | 21. sleet |
| 22. steed | 22. advice <i>n.</i> |
| 23. message | 23. advise <i>v.</i> |
| 24. glance | 24. haughty |
| 25. annoy | 25. couple |

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| 1. oblige | 1. separate | } A word
frequently
misspelled. |
| 2. total | 2. absence | |
| 3. morning (mörning) | 3. mortar 3 | |
| 4. mourning (mōurning) | 4. twelfth | |
| 5. grain | 5. ivory (three syllables) | |
| 6. wheat | 6. wrinkle | |
| 7. Chicago | 7. repeat | |
| 8. rye | 8. annual | |
| 9. wry | 9. jest | |
| 10. yonder | 10. just 3 (not jest) | |
| 11. nation | 11. plague (plāg not plēg) | |
| 12. quire | 12. wreath (rēth) | |
| 13. choir | 13. squad | |
| 14. firing | 14. deceit | |
| 15. lazily | 15. pounce | |
| 16. movable | 16. type 2 | |
| 17. steadily | 17. nobody | |
| 18. mention | 18. refuge | |
| 19. explore | 19. speckle | |
| 20. misery | 20. package | } |
| 21. hoof | 21. bundle | |
| 22. earnest | 22. parcel | |
| 23. gloomy | 23. commit | |
| 24. wretch | 24. lurch | |
| 25. method | 25. struggle | |

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| 1. benefit | 1. weapon (wěp'ŏn) |
| 2. famous | 2. sword |
| 3. paring | 3. sheath |
| 4. rescue | 4. shield |
| 5. snout | 5. sabre |
| 6. neighbor | 6. lance |
| 7. bristle | 7. dagger |
| 8. studied | 8. spear |
| 9. foamy | 9. rifle |
| 10. agile (āj'īl) | 10. musket |
| 11. smoking | 11. carbine |
| 12. fiery }
13. flaming } | 12. bullet |
| | 13. cartridge |
| 14. retain | 14. missile (mī'ssīl) |
| 15. delicate | 15. bugle |
| 16. surface | 16. soldier |
| 17. relief | 17. warrior |
| 18. lightning | 18. muzzle 3 |
| 19. purchase 2 | 19. parade |
| 20. glimpse | 20. barrack |
| 21. pattern | 21. major |
| 22. fashion | 22. general 2 |
| 23. burial | 23. warfare |
| 24. seize | 24. cannon |
| 25. seas | 25. courage |

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| 1. severe | 1. totally |
| 2. certain 2 | 2. detail |
| 3. readily | 3. wrench |
| 4. patient 2 | 4. dreary (not drēry) |
| 5. nonsense | 5. withhold |
| 6. detain | 6. hostile (hōs'tīl) |
| 7. pouch | 7. motion |
| 8. climb | 8. trough (trōf) |
| 9. clime | 9. wrought |
| 10. expel | 10. convey |
| 11. diary | 11. suggest |
| 12. fee | 12. dairy |
| 13. bluish | 13. ought I <i>ought</i> to go |
| 14. decay | 14. aught anything |
| 15. besiege | 15. drowsy |
| 16. fatally | 16. quantity |
| 17. pacify | 17. describe |
| 18. design | 18. gourd |
| 19. metal | 19. consent |
| 20. mettle | 20. special |
| 21. sincere | 21. annoy |
| 22. innocent | 22. valuable |
| 23. although | 23. plentiful |
| 24. juicy | 24. column |
| 25. series | 25. slaughter |

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| 1. beseech | 1. school |
| 2. divide | 2. teacher |
| 3. funeral | 3. scholar |
| 4. attach | 4. lesson |
| 5. closing | 5. lessen |
| 6. usually | 6. holiday |
| 7. strength | 7. vacation |
| 8. knack | 8. recess (re-cess') |
| 9. moreover | 9. educate |
| 10. noisy | 10. primer |
| 11. cleave 2 | 11. science |
| 12. material | 12. examination |
| 13. sparkle | 13. reading (not readin') |
| 14. visitor | 14. history (not his'try) |
| 15. people | 15. pencil |
| 16. resist | 16. crayon |
| 17. avail | 17. chalk |
| 18. treasure | 18. satchel |
| 19. dainty | 19. erase |
| 20. facing | 20. recite |
| 21. bitten | 21. study |
| 22. odor | 22. example |
| 23. swimming | 23. prize |
| 24. glean | 24. tardy |
| 25. trifle | 25. review |

1. city	1. porch	}
2. village	2. portico	
3. suburb	3. piazza	
4. street	4. veranda	
5. avenue	5. balcony	
6. alley	6. gallery	
7. ally (al-lī')	7. awning	
8. mansion	8. staircase	
9. abode	9. pantry	
10. palace	10. nursery	
11. cottage	11. laundry	
12. dwelling	12. garret	}
13. tenement	13. attic	
14. hotel	14. cornice	
15. store	15. railing	
16. bakery	16. ceiling	
17. museum (mu zō'um)	17. sealing	
18. warehouse	18. foundation	
19. castle	19. cupola (kū'pō lā)	
20. turret	20. threshold	
21. stable 2	21. piano	
22. capitol	{ This word has but one meaning —a building.	22. organ
23. capital 4		23. violin
24. library (not libry)		24. fiddle
25. cupboard (kub'būrd)		25. flute

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| 1. forest | 1. marine 2 |
| 2. birch | 2. boat |
| 3. oak | 3. sloop |
| 4. maple | 4. schooner |
| 5. cedar | 5. yacht (yŏt) |
| 6. spruce | 6. launch (lānch) |
| 7. elm (not el-lum) | 7. yawl |
| 8. willow | 8. canoe |
| 9. walnut | 9. captain |
| 10. hickory (not hickry) | 10. mariner |
| 11. sycamore | 11. sailor |
| 12. chestnut | 12. keel |
| 13. beech | 13. stern 2 |
| 14. beach | 14. anchor |
| 15. alder (āl'der) | 15. buoy |
| 16. hazel | 16. oakum |
| 17. yew | 17. crews |
| 18. fir | 18. cruise |
| 19. fur | 19. wreck |
| 20. ebony | 20. pier |
| 21. bough | 21. wharf (not warf) |
| 22. bow | 22. forecastle |
| 23. bamboo | 23. beacon |
| 24. foliage | 24. navy |
| 25. laurel | 25. fleet 2 |

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| 1. presence | 1. superb |
| 2. presents | 2. woe |
| 3. trail | 3. aching |
| 4. freak | 4. recent |
| 5. lecture | 5. modern |
| 6. groove | 6. ancient |
| 7. saucily | 7. antique (ăn tēk') |
| 8. beginning | 8. salve (sāv never sāv) |
| 9. treaty | 9. cruelly (not crūly) |
| 10. hurried | 10. proceed |
| 11. hastily | 11. obtain } |
| 12. greed | 12. procure } |
| 13. serf | 13. amusing |
| 14. surf | 14. support |
| 15. flatter 2 | 15. exhibit |
| 16. threat | 16. resign |
| 17. guard | 17. oppress |
| 18. noose | 18. handful (pl. fuls, |
| 19. attempt | 19. renown |
| 20. endeavor | 20. bail |
| 21. release | 21. bale |
| 22. dutiful | 22. equip |
| 23. surround | 23. certainly |
| 24. clumsy } | 24. furious |
| 25. awkward } | 25. descend |

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| 1. animal | 1. fawn |
| 2. pony | 2. faun |
| 3. donkey | 3. boar |
| 4. calf | 4. bore |
| 5. heifer | 5. doe |
| 6. goat | 6. dough |
| 7. hound | 7. swallow 2 (not swaller) |
| 8. mastiff | 8. hawk |
| 9. spaniel (spæn'yəl) | 9. eagle |
| 10. terrier | 10. wren |
| 11. retriever | 11. sparrow |
| 12. rabbit | 12. partridge |
| 13. squirrel (not squirl) | 13. grouse |
| 14. weasel | 14. quail |
| 15. monkey | 15. owl |
| 16. camel | 16. canary |
| 17. tiger | 17. parrot |
| 18. elephant | 18. ostrich |
| 19. bear | 19. oriole |
| 20. bare | 20. pigeon |
| 21. buffalo | 21. squab |
| 22. leopard (lēp'ard) | 22. turkey |
| 23. lynx | 23. chicken (not chickn) |
| 24. brute | 24. poultry |
| 25. beast | 25. robin |

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| 1. clothing } | 1. glove |
| 2. apparel } | 2. mitten |
| 3. cloth | 3. shoe |
| 4. fabric | 4. gaiter |
| 5. linen | 5. stocking |
| 6. cotton | 6. hose 2 |
| 7. muslin | 7. collar |
| 8. satin | 8. coat 2 |
| 9. velvet | 9. sleeve |
| 10. gingham (g'ing'äm) | 10. necktie |
| 11. merino | 11. needle |
| 12. alpaca { (äl päk' a
not al'-a-pak-a) | 12. thread |
| 13. calico | 13. ribbon |
| 14. flannel | 14. trimming |
| 15. cambric | 15. bead |
| 16. lace 2 | 16. edging |
| 17. gown | 17. braid |
| 18. apron { ä'purn is better
than ä'prun | 18. fringe |
| 19. shawl | 19. tassel |
| 20. handkerchief { (häng-
kër-
chíf) | 20. serge |
| 21. trousers or trowsers | 21. surge |
| 22. pantaloons | 22. cloak |
| 23. skein | 23. plaid (pläd) |
| 24. sash | 24. parasol |
| 25. scarf | 25. umbrella |

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| 1. breakfast | 1. pursuit |
| 2. luncheon | 2. tomb |
| 3. dessert | 3. exploit |
| 4. desert | 4. stencil |
| 5. picnic | 5. legion |
| 6. beefsteak | 6. compass |
| 7. biscuit | 7. doubtful |
| 8. sausage (not sos'sige) | 8. serious |
| 9. oatmeal | 9. cheerful |
| 10. porridge | 10. laughter |
| 11. coffee | 11. sternness |
| 12. Mocha (Mō'kah) | 12. entreat |
| 13. Java | 13. satisfy |
| 14. bacon | 14. prepare |
| 15. muffin | 15. negative |
| 16. oyster | 16. expert |
| 17. salad | 17. derrick |
| 18. omelet | 18. auger |
| 19. gruel | 19. augur |
| 20. pastry | 20. commence |
| 21. waffle (wǎf'fl) | 21. prevail |
| 22. honey | 22. conquer |
| 23. olives | 23. forcible |
| 24. lemonade | 24. worthily |
| 25. salmon (sǎm'ŭn) | 25. answer |

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| 1. weather | 1. journey |
| 2. whether { (sound the h
in wh) | 2. voyage |
| 3. whither | 3. baggage |
| 4. oppose | 4. tourist |
| 5. cautious | 5. passenger |
| 6. correct | 6. railroad |
| 7. compel | 7. junction |
| 8. torch | 8. whistle |
| 9. cleanse | 9. station |
| 10. trifling } | 10. conductor 2 |
| 11. trivial } | 11. brakeman |
| 12. swollen | 12. steward |
| 13. Christmas | 13. locomotive |
| 14. offering | 14. telegram |
| 15. guest | 15. dispatch or despatch 3 |
| 16. guessed | 16. cable |
| 17. apiece | 17. tunnel |
| 18. stealthy | 18. trestle |
| 19. adjoin | 19. canal |
| 20. reserve | 20. ferry |
| 21. direction | 21. bridge |
| 22. willing | 22. switch 2 |
| 23. affection | 23. detention |
| 24. trench | 24. express |
| 25. acquaint | 25. train |

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| 1. vegetable | 1. currant |
| 2. tomato | 2. current |
| 3. cucumber | 3. flower |
| 4. onion | 4. flour |
| 5. carrot | 5. lily |
| 6. lettuce (lèt'tis) | 6. violet (vī'ō lèt) |
| 7. cabbage | 7. pansy |
| 8. sprout | 8. daisy |
| 9. radish | 9. lilac (lī'lāk) |
| 10. celery | 10. crocus |
| 11. beet | 11. lavender |
| 12. beat | 12. dandelion |
| 13. fruit | 13. verbena |
| 14. peach | 14. ivy |
| 15. apple | 15. cactus |
| 16. cherry | 16. blossom |
| 17. grape | 17. weed |
| 18. quince | 18. thistle |
| 19. pear | 19. trellis |
| 20. pare | 20. sheaf |
| 21. pair | 21. stubble |
| 22. melon | 22. herb (ərb) |
| 23. plum | 23. autumn |
| 24. plumb | 24. field |
| 25. banana | 25. meadow |

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| 1. possess | 1. succeed |
| 2. expense | 2. cleanly (klěn'ly) |
| 3. generous | 3. vault 2 |
| 4. admission | 4. caution |
| 5. friar | 5. valor |
| 6. belfry | 6. assure |
| 7. imagine | 7. loiter |
| 8. gaudy | 8. lie 2 |
| 9. imitate | 9. lye |
| 10. squalid | 10. lying 2 { Telling lies
reclining |
| 11. tennis | 11. hail 2 |
| 12. appoint | 12. hale |
| 13. dissolve | 13. balm (bām not bām) |
| 14. appear | 14. senior |
| 15. creature | 15. junior |
| 16. attention | 16. colony |
| 17. numb | 17. happiness } |
| 18. joyous | 18. felicity } |
| 19. icy | 19. exhaust |
| 20. delightful | 20. familiar |
| 21. recollect } | 21. scenery |
| 22. remember } | 22. piteous |
| 23. arouse | 23. echo |
| 24. remedy | 24. feature |
| 25. atone | 25. fragile (frāj'īl) |

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| 1. grammar | 1. arithmetic |
| 2. noun | 2. division |
| 3. verb | 3. quotient |
| 4. mood | 4. addition |
| 5. tense | 5. minus |
| 6. voice | 6. subtraction |
| 7. parse | 7. minuend |
| 8. article 2 | 8. subtrahend |
| 9. passive | 9. remainder |
| 10. sentence | 10. multiplicand |
| 11. adjective | 11. multiplier |
| 12. singular | 12. fraction |
| 13. plural | 13. numerator |
| 14. masculine | 14. denominator |
| 15. feminine | 15. decimal |
| 16. neuter | 16. factor |
| 17. modify | 17. difference |
| 18. phrase | 18. cancellation |
| 19. clause | 19. multiple |
| 20. claws | 20. divisible |
| 21. preface | 21. result |
| 22. prose | 22. compound |
| 23. poem | 23. solid |
| 24. principle | 24. billion |
| 25. principal | 25. notation |

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| 1. stationary | 1. parent |
| 2. stationery | 2. mother |
| 3. piety | 3. father |
| 4. tobacco | 4. farther |
| 5. spectator | 5. aunt (ānt) |
| 6. ghastly | 6. uncle |
| 7. vague (vāg) | 7. niece |
| 8. vivid | 8. nephew |
| 9. belief | 9. cousin |
| 10. fervid } | 10. daughter |
| 11. fervent } | 11. orphan |
| 12. social | 12. ancestor |
| 13. balmy (bām'y) | 13. guardian (gar'dean) |
| 14. signify | 14. descendant |
| 15. variety | 15. family (not famly) |
| 16. suitor | 16. orchard |
| 17. traffic | 17. vineyard |
| 18. repulse | 18. fertile |
| 19. supply | 19. accent |
| 20. trait | 20. leather |
| 21. subdue | 21. serene |
| 22. reliable | 22. placid |
| 23. fickle | 23. tranquil |
| 24. wield (wēld) | 24. calm } (cām) |
| 25. deter | 25. inquiry (īn quīr'y) |

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| 1. abundant | 1. possible |
| 2. patience | 2. society |
| 3. icicle | 3. opinion |
| 4. motto | 4. wily (wī'ly) crafty |
| 5. decrease | 5. bountiful |
| 6. scourge | 6. solemn { ^{(söl'em}
not söl'um) |
| 7. frequency | 7. haunt (hänt not hänt) |
| 8. superior | 8. endeavor |
| 9. inferior | 9. draught 2 (drâft) |
| 10. vacancy | 10. liquid |
| 11. desertion | 11. conceit |
| 12. gild | 12. hammock |
| 13. guild | 13. crease |
| 14. immense | 14. redeem |
| 15. exceed | 15. feign |
| 16. concede | 16. quotation |
| 17. liking | 17. declaim |
| 18. insist | 18. urchin |
| 19. arise | 19. angel |
| 20. ascend | 20. angle 2 |
| 21. career | 21. foreign |
| 22. sensible | 22. meddle |
| 23. cordially | 23. medal |
| 24. sincerely | 24. achieve |
| 25. affectionately | 25. elevate |

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| 1. occupations | 1. geography { (ge og
not jog) |
| 2. builder | 2. island |
| 3. mason | 3. mountain |
| 4. engineer | 4. prairie |
| 5. mechanic | 5. plateau |
| 6. shepherd | 6. ocean |
| 7. butcher | 7. channel |
| 8. gardener | 8. valley |
| 9. janitor | 9. isthmus |
| 10. painter | 10. volcano |
| 11. wheelwright | 11. oasis |
| 12. plumber | 12. reef |
| 13. accountant | 13. cascade |
| 14. cashier | 14. peninsula |
| 15. secretary | 15. geyser (gi'sër) |
| 16. miner | 16. meridian |
| 17. minor | 17. longitude |
| 18. surveyor | 18. latitude |
| 19. student | 19. territory |
| 20. manager | 20. equator |
| 21. merchant | 21. glacier |
| 22. tailor | 22. chasm |
| 23. seamstress | 23. creek (not crick) |
| 24. milliner | 24. creak |
| 25. messenger | 25. tropic |

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| 1. reptile (rep'til) | 1. rogue |
| 2. snake | 2. thief |
| 3. serpent | 3. robber |
| 4. toad | 4. burglar |
| 5. dragon | 5. rascal |
| 6. turtle | 6. villain |
| 7. tortoise (tor'tis not tor'to is) | 7. ruffian |
| 8. terrapin | 8. pirate |
| 9. snail | 9. sneak |
| 10. lizard | 10. scoundrel |
| 11. eel | 11. knave |
| 12. insect (not insec) | 12. criminal |
| 13. beetle | 13. drunkard |
| 14. gnat | 14. traitor |
| 15. moth | 15. felon 2 |
| 16. spider | 16. offence |
| 17. fly 2 | 17. smuggle |
| 18. wasp | 18. forge |
| 19. mosquito | 19. embezzle |
| 20. flea | 20. assault |
| 21. flee | 21. guilty |
| 22. loath { (lôth) unwilling. He
is loath to do it. | 22. jail |
| 23. loathe { (lôthe) to detest.
He loathes the reptile. | 23. dungeon |
| 24. liar | 24. police |
| 25. fraud | 25. sheriff |

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| 1. nobility | 1. dying |
| 2. emperor | 2. dyeing |
| 3. monarch | 3. acquire |
| 4. ruler 2 | 4. verdure |
| 5. duke (not dook) | 5. sunbeam |
| 6. duchess | 6. rhyme |
| 7. earl | 7. fragrance } |
| 8. countess | 8. perfume } |
| 9. baron | 9. agreeable |
| 10. barren | 10. glossy |
| 11. sovereign | 11. medicine |
| 12. royal | 12. accident |
| 13. realm (rēlm) | 13. poison |
| 14. reign | 14. grating |
| 15. rein | 15. soda |
| 16. rain | 16. disaster |
| 17. prince | 17. patriot (pā'triot) |
| 18. prints | 18. excess |
| 19. throne | 19. behavior |
| 20. thrown | 20. admirable |
| 21. loyal | 21. gratitude |
| 22. domain | 22. favorite |
| 23. imperial | 23. malice |
| 24. sceptre | 24. vanity |
| 25. majesty | 25. accustom |

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| 1. mineral | 1. leisure (lē zhur) |
| 2. granite | 2. idle |
| 3. marble | 3. idol |
| 4. quarry | 4. idyl |
| 5. mica | 5. Arctic { (ärk'tik
not är'tik) |
| 6. zinc | 6. despair |
| 7. nickel | 7. psalm (sām) |
| 8. quartz | 8. void |
| 9. quarts | 9. pride |
| 10. pewter | 10. pried |
| 11. kill | 11. precise } |
| 12. kiln (kill) | 12. exact } |
| 13. limy | 13. accurate |
| 14. sculpture | 14. tenant |
| 15. studio | 15. ashamed |
| 16. fresco | 16. lief willingly |
| 17. easel | 17. leaf |
| 18. sketch | 18. flourish |
| 19. statue | 19. tyrant |
| 20. stature height | 20. languid |
| 21. statute a written law | 21. entertain |
| 22. palette | 22. misspell |
| 23. palate | 23. incident |
| 24. pallet | 24. explosion |
| 25. portrait | 25. system |

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| 1. ascent | 1. Italian { (ī-tāl'-yan
not ī-tal'yan) |
| 2. assent | 2. agency |
| 3. experience | 3. duet (du-et') |
| 4. appeal | 4. suet (su'et) |
| 5. regatta | 5. harass (hār'ās) |
| 6. sight | 6. citizen |
| 7. cite | 7. rigor } |
| 8. site | 8. severity } |
| 9. oral | 9. gracious |
| 10. quake | 10. amiable |
| 11. itch | 11. mystery |
| 12. nourish | 12. piercing |
| 13. decision | 13. gesture (jĕst'yūr) |
| 14. Pacific | 14. fugitive |
| 15. key | 15. argue |
| 16. quay (kē) | 16. register |
| 17. peasant | 17. civil |
| 18. average | 18. idea (ī-dē'-a not ī'-dē-a) |
| 19. deceive | 19. process |
| 20. energy | 20. origin |
| 21. pressure | 21. fate |
| 22. recede | 22. fête |
| 23. machine | 23. orator |
| 24. delicate | 24. creation |
| 25. pertain | 25. reveal |

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| 1. vehicle | 1. genuine { (<i>iĕn'yŭ</i> in not
<i>jĕn'-yŭ-ĭne</i>) |
| 2. carriage | 2. pliant } |
| 3. omnibus | 3. pliable } |
| 4. chariot | 4. flexible } |
| 5. coach | 5. pretence { Accent the
last syllable |
| 6. sleigh | 6. futile (<i>fŭ'tĭl</i>) |
| 7. slay | 7. particular (<i>par-tic'-u-lar</i>) |
| 8. hansom | 8. frenzy |
| 9. handsome | 9. genial |
| 10. ambulance | 10. utilize |
| 11. hearse | 11. pallid |
| 12. axle | 12. absolute |
| 13. bicycle | 13. literary |
| 14. partial | 14. perception |
| 15. excursion | 15. vision 2 |
| 16. celebrate | 16. acceptable |
| 17. emotion | 17. steadfast |
| 18. pensive | 18. charity |
| 19. gambol | 19. esteem |
| 20. gamble | 20. iceberg |
| 21. extreme | 21. narrative |
| 22. sustain | 22. condition |
| 23. exterior | 23. terrace |
| 24. mean 2 | 24. gratify |
| 25. mien | 25. luxury |

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| 1. business | | 1. persuade |
| 2. wholesale | | 2. relieve |
| 3. retail | | 3. specify |
| 4. creditor | | 4. function |
| 5. debtor | | 5. serial |
| 6. salary | { That which is
wanting to make
the parts of an ac-
count equal. One
should not say, the
<i>balance</i> of the even-
ing, but the re-
<i>mainder</i> . | 6. cereal |
| 7. balance 2 | | 7. attitude |
| 8. property | | 8. council |
| 9. insure | | 9. counsel 2 |
| 10. solvent | Able to pay one's debts | 10. consul (cŏn'stŭl) |
| 11. position | | 11. anoint |
| 12. ledger | | 12. comical |
| 13. invoice | { A list of goods that
have been shipped,
with prices. | 13. ode |
| 14. interest 2 | | 14. owed |
| 15. receipt | | 15. changeable |
| 16. partner | (not pardner, | 16. excusable |
| 17. deposit | | 17. zealous |
| 18. account | | 18. simplicity |
| 19. collect | | 19. omission |
| 20. lease | | 20. official |
| 21. mortgage | (mor'-gage) | 21. bulletin |
| 22. default | To fail to pay when due | 22. operation |
| 23. lien (lĕn) | A claim on property | 23. agony |
| 24. assets | { Property with which
debts may be paid. | 24. enterprise |
| 25. assignment | | { A transfer of
property to pro-
tect creditors |

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| 1. malady | 1. secrecy |
| 2. ailment | 2. vigorous |
| 3. wound | 3. exception |
| 4. sprain | 4. profitable |
| 5. cough | 5. liveliness |
| 6. fever | 6. porous |
| 7. croup | 7. noticeable |
| 8. measles | 8. exclude |
| 9. <i>ague</i> (ā'gū) | 9. treason |
| 10. spasm | 10. poultice |
| 11. consumption | 11. acquainted |
| 12. fracture | 12. perfection |
| 13. cancer | 13. foible |
| 14. relapse | 14. cede |
| 15. malaria | 15. seed |
| 16. bilious | 16. capable |
| 17. hospital | 17. plainness |
| 18. surgeon | 18. occasion |
| 19. doctor | 19. policy |
| 20. insane | 20. arc |
| 21. crazy | 21. ark |
| 22. imbecile | 22. surpass |
| 23. maniac | 23. initial |
| 24. lunatic | 24. brevity |
| 25. idiot | 25. excellent |

} Unsound in mind

Feeble minded

One violently insane

{ An insane person
who has inter-
vals of sanity.

{ One who has no
understanding.

Words which, when accented on the first syllable, are nouns, when accented on the second, are verbs, as : He will *pre sent*' to you a *pres'ent*.

present

record

transfer

concert

object

produce

escort

insult

digest

incense

contrast

abstract

extract

rebel

converse

impress

conflict

progress

increase

desert

export

conduct

Words spelt alike, but pronounced differently, as : He caught a *bäss*. The man sings *bäss*.

bass

bow

lead

wind

tear

entrance

recreate

courtesy

canon { can'on, a church law
cañ'on (canyon) a
ravine

slough

wound { She *wound* the thread
The *wound* of the soldier. It is better to
pronounce these
words differently.

minute

use

close

grease

excuse

abuse

refuse

moderate

invalid

gallant

In one pronunciation of these words the *s* has its sharp sound, as in *son*; in the other pronunciation *s* is like *z*.

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| 1. anguish | 1. generally |
| 2. similar | 2. juvenile (jū' vĕ nĭl) |
| 3. fidelity | 3. formidable { Accent
the first
syllable |
| 4. satisfaction | 4. awry (a-rī') |
| 5. censure | 5. cemetery (not cĕm e try) |
| 6. connection | 6. sluice |
| 7. penetrate | 7. drought (drōwt) |
| 8. dubious | 8. beguile |
| 9. canvas | 9. decease |
| 10. canvass | 10. disease (diz ēz') |
| 11. manufacture | 11. deficit (dĕf' ȳs ȳt) |
| 12. penance | 12. fatigue { (fā tĕg', not
fā tĭg' |
| 13. assertion | 13. weariness } |
| 14. ravage | 14. exhaustion |
| 15. sacrifice | 15. abstain |
| 16. conceive | 16. frigid |
| 17. denounce | 17. separable |
| 18. tension | 18. urgency |
| 19. enfeeble | 19. admittance |
| 20. wizard | 20. solitary |
| 21. sorcerer | 21. ridicule |
| 22. magician | 22. ambition |
| 23. commerce | 23. oval |
| 24. desirable | 24. discount |
| 25. cowardice | 25. impede |

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| 1. grocer | 1. architect |
| 2. molasses | 2. chemist |
| 3. sirup | 3. author |
| 4. cinnamon | 4. critic |
| 5. ginger | 5. trustee |
| 6. pepper | 6. overseer |
| 7. Cayenne(<i>kā ĕu' or kīĕn'</i>) | 7. inspector |
| 8. vinegar | 8. superintendent |
| 9. pickle | 9. editor |
| 10. cocoa | 10. lawyer |
| 11. mackerel | 11. jurist |
| 12. herring | 12. senator |
| 13. rice | 13. president |
| 14. starch | 14. professor |
| 15. tapioca | 15. librarian |
| 16. mustard | 16. governor (sound the *) |
| 17. saleratus | 17. lieutenant |
| 18. almond | 18. chaplain |
| 19. raisin | 19. bishop |
| 20. hominy | 20. missionary |
| 21. chocolate | 21. rector |
| 22. confectionery | 22. machinist |
| 23. sundries | 23. auctioneer |
| 24. provisions | 24. draughtsman |
| 25. kerosene | 25. actor |

These words, from their similarity of sound, are frequently misused. The meanings should be carefully noted.

except {	He saw nothing <i>except</i> the sky.	respectfully {	He replied <i>respectfully</i> .
accept {	To <i>accept</i> an excuse or apology.	respectably {	He was <i>respectably</i> dressed.
effect {	The cause will produce the <i>effect</i> .	respectively {	John and James are aged <i>respectively</i> four and six years.
affect {	The news did not <i>affect</i> him.		
specie {	Coin. Has no plural.	marshal {	A commander.
species {	Kind. A <i>species</i> of owl. Singular and plural alike.	martial {	Warlike.
genus {	Kind. A <i>genus</i> may include several species.	prophecy {	(pröf' ěsý) A prediction.
genius {	Mental power. A spirit.	prophecy {	(pröf' ěsi) To foretell.
ingenious {	(In-jĕn'-yüs) Skilful, clever.	access {	Way of approach.
ingenuous {	(In-jĕn-yü-üs) Frank, sincere.	axis {	The <i>axis</i> of the earth.
veracity {	Truthfulness.	partition {	Division wall.
voracity {	Greediness.	petition {	A request.
extant {	Still existing.	immigrant {	One who comes in to a country to settle.
extent {	The <i>extent</i> of the country.	emigrant {	One who removes from his country.
immerge {	To dip, to submerge.	satire {	(săt'-ire) A writing in which persons or customs are ridiculed.
emerge {	The moon <i>emerged</i> from the clouds.	satyr {	(săt' ýr or săt' týt) An imaginary being, half man, half goat.
legible {	Plainly written or printed. So as to be readable.	deprecate {	To urge against.
eligible {	Capable of being legally chosen.	depreciate {	To lessen in value.
illegible {	Not readable.	preceding {	Going before.
eminent {	Distinguished. An <i>eminent</i> man.	proceeding {	A transaction
imminent {	Threatening, overhanging. <i>Imminent</i> danger.	explicit {	Clear, direct.
compliment {	To praise.	implicit {	<i>Implicit</i> confidence.
complement {	Full number.	illusion {	Deception.
formally {	In a ceremonious manner.	elusion {	An escape by a trick.
formerly {	In times past.	Briton {	<i>Britons</i> live in <i>Britain</i> .
		Britain {	

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| 1. necessary | 1. prejudice |
| 2. appease | 2. unique (yū nēk') |
| 3. defiance | 3. decency |
| 4. tawny | 4. roguish |
| 5. symbol | 5. adhere |
| 6. trespass | 6. hosiery (hō' zhēr ē) |
| 7. census | 7. complain |
| 8. adverse | 8. utility |
| 9. jealous | 9. hawser |
| 10. missive | 10. issue |
| 11. directory | 11. jollity |
| 12. menace | 12. penitent |
| 13. fanciful } | 13. evident |
| 14. fantastic } | 14. sensitive |
| 15. sombre | 15. pervade |
| 16. repeal | 16. guidance |
| 17. assume | 17. clumsily |
| 18. enjoyable | 18. expanse |
| 19. adroit | 19. diverge |
| 20. ornament | 20. erasure |
| 21. sequel | 21. solace |
| 22. audible | 22. defraud |
| 23. control | 23. passion |
| 24. verdant | 24. sorrowfully |
| 25. oddity | 25. impossible |

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| 1. suggestion | 1. ascertain (äs cēr tāin') |
| 2. besought | 2. wholesome (höl'süm) |
| 3. receivable | 3. restrain |
| 4. realize | 4. annually |
| 5. research | 5. variation |
| 6. desperate | 6. caprice (kā prēse') |
| 7. tawdry | 7. conceal |
| 8. opposite | 8. disguise |
| 9. response | 9. dissemble |
| 10. seizure | 10. concise |
| 11. separation | 11. sentiment |
| 12. excellence | 12. planet |
| 13. prominent | 13. supple (süp'l not sōō'pl) |
| 14. benefactor | 14. chieftain |
| 15. exhibition | 15. fissure |
| 16. vexation | 16. interrupt |
| 17. fossil | 17. appear |
| 18. providence | 18. certainty |
| 19. calculate | 19. possibly |
| 20. narration | 20. suspense |
| 21. electric | 21. exquisite (ëks'kwīz-it) |
| 22. abolish | 22. gaunt (gänt) |
| 23. humorous | 23. marriage |
| 24. precede | 24. rejoicing |
| 25. neutra. | 25. correspond 2 |

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| 1. proprietor | 1. obstacle |
| 2. desirous | 2. distinguish |
| 3. aisle (ī) | 3. character |
| 4. isle (ī) | 4. applaud |
| 5. genteel | 5. lozenge (lōz'ēnj) |
| 6. fashionable } | 6. degrade |
| 7. stylish } | 7. liquor |
| 8. rosette | 8. duel |
| 9. crystal | 9. various |
| 10. persecute | 10. deceitful |
| 11. grateful | 11. licorice (līk'ō rīs) |
| 12. dissent | 12. declaration |
| 13. descent | 13. persist |
| 14. appetite | 14. agility |
| 15. sojourn | 15. chargeable |
| 16. serenely | 16. manual 2 |
| 17. averse | 17. consider |
| 18. encounter | 18. hurricane |
| 19. lancet | 19. condemn |
| 20. drainage | 20. disagree |
| 21. impair | 21. intense |
| 22. immense | 22. feud (fūd) |
| 23. languish | 23. pitiful |
| 24. daintily | 24. gristle |
| 25. journal | 25. ignorance |

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| 1. compare | 1. incite (in cite') |
| 2. element | 2. insight (in'sight) |
| 3. cleanness | 3. embalm (əm bām') |
| 4. elapse | 4. fortieth |
| 5. eighteen | 5. confer 2 |
| 6. Dane | 6. forbade (for bād') |
| 7. deign | 7. elevator |
| 8. faculty | 8. adage (əd'aj) |
| 9. interior | 9. daunt (dānt) |
| 10. merciful | 10. exceedingly |
| 11. prettily | 11. dependence |
| 12. delegate | 12. permanent |
| 13. crevice | 13. delicious |
| 14. postscript | 14. animate |
| 15. disappoint | 15. heritage |
| 16. attendance | 16. fascinate |
| 17. credible | 17. authorize |
| 18. entire | 18. attraction |
| 19. angelic . | 19. restaurant |
| 20. dispel | 20. celerity |
| 21. mortise | 21. premises |
| 22. refrain | 22. discern |
| 23. pauper | 23. currency |
| 24. civilize | 24. vicinity |
| 25. suspicion | 25. neighborhood |

ability	{ Power of applying knowledge to practical purposes	1. spectre
capacity	{ Power of receiving knowledge.	2. ghost
discover	{ Columbus <i>discovered</i> America.	3. nymph
invent	{ Morse <i>invented</i> the telegraph.	4. phantom
specimen	{ A <i>specimen</i> photograph.	5. ogre
sample	{ A <i>sample</i> of tea or sugar.	6. fiend
adjoining	{ In contact with.	7. fairy
adjacent	{ Near.	8. giant
liable	{ Do not say, "It is <i>liable</i> to rain," for "It is <i>likely</i> to rain."	9. dwarf
obsolete	{ Gone out of use.	10. certify
extinct	{ Not now existing.	11. judgment
convoke	{ To call together.	12. volunteer
convene	{ To come together, to assemble.	13. foreigner
mutual	{ Do not say <i>mutual</i> friend for <i>com-</i> <i>mon</i> friend. Mutual implies recipro- city, a giving and returning.	14. effective
temperance	{ Moderation.	15. revery
abstinence	{ Doing entirely without.	16. section
valid	Having legal force. A <i>valid</i> argument.	17. tendency
benevolence	{ The desire to do good.	18. grievous
beneficence	{ Active goodness.	19. dizziness
tacit	{ (tās' it) Implied, but not expressed in words. A <i>tacit</i> understanding.	20. boundary
instinct	{ A natural impulse in animals by which, without instruction, they are directed to do what is necessary for their welfare.	21. profuse
sagacity	{ Natural and quick discernment.	22. accuracy
transpire	{ Does not mean to happen, but to escape from secrecy, to leak out.	23. suitable
character	{ What one really is.	24. diligence
reputation	{ What others think him to be.	25. sensation

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| 1. splendid | { Shining, showy.
The <i>splendid</i> sun. | 1. language |
| 2. elegant | Beautiful, polished. | 2. assistant |
| 3. magnificent | Sublime, stately. | 3. resound |
| 4. lovely | Amiable. | 4. approval |
| 5. nice | { Accurate. A <i>nice</i> cal-
culation. | 5. disclose |
| 6. funny | { Comical. Does not
mean <i>peculiar</i> . | 6. equally |
| 7. horrid | } Mean more
than <i>bad</i> or <i>un-
 pleasant</i> . | 7. juiciness |
| 8. terrible | | 8. devout |
| 9. fearful | | 9. offensive |
| 10. dreadful | | 10. agreement |
| 11. frightful | | 11. heathen |
| 12. horrible | | 12. miracle |
| 13. hideous | | 13. cord 2 |
| 14. awful | | 14. chord |
| 15. lenient (lē'nĭĕnt) | | 15. disoblige |
| 16. pathos (pā'thōs) | | 16. carcass |
| 17. dearth (dĕrth) | | 17. martyr |
| 18. legacy | | 18. actually |
| 19. tamable | | 19. colonial |
| 20. reference | | 20. disciple |
| 21. expensive | | 21. beauteous |
| 22. resource | | 22. penitence |
| 23. discreet | | 23. liquefy |
| 24. approach | | 24. density |
| 25. filial (fĭl'yal) | | 25. precept |

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| 1. facility (fə cīl'ī ty) | 1. ceremony |
| 2. iniquity | 2. outrageous |
| 3. recital | 3. elegance |
| 4. English (sound the g) | 4. reverend |
| 5. recognize “ | 5. incredible |
| 6. tragic | 6. pleasurable |
| 7. vegetation | 7. intelligence 2 |
| 8. illustrate (il lūs' trate) | 8. sacrament |
| 9. christen | 9. benediction |
| 10. intimate | 10. religious |
| 11. frugality (fru-gāl'īty) | 11. conscience |
| 12. parable | 12. punctuate |
| 13. secede | 13. renounce |
| 14. practicable | 14. attainable |
| 15. fanatic (fa năt'Yk) | 15. perverse |
| 16. bigot | 16. epistle |
| 17. heresy | 17. imposition |
| 18. celebrity (sē lēb'rī ty) | 18. mystify |
| 19. enormous | 19. enviable |
| 20. supreme | 20. beverage |
| 21. cathedral | 21. allude |
| 22. machinery | 22. carnival |
| 23. erroneous | 23. essential |
| 24. repentance | 24. reprieve |
| 25. prodigal (prōd' i gal) | 25. valiant |

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| 1. negligent (nəg'lyjént) | 1. inclement |
| 2. politics | 2. anxiety |
| 3. docility (dɔ cɪl'ity) | 3. communicate |
| 4. recommend | 4. imitable |
| 5. casual | 5. excessive |
| 6. answerable | 6. preparation |
| 7. righteous | 7. immediate |
| 8. adoption | 8. gigantic |
| 9. finance (fɪ nānce') | 9. damageable |
| 10. suffice | 10. permanence |
| 11. gratuity | 11. rebellion |
| 12. punctuality | 12. acceptance |
| 13. requisite | 13. advisable |
| 14. peaceable | 14. recognition |
| 15. stability | 15. defensible |
| 16. velocity | 16. enemies |
| 17. precision | 17. aversion |
| 18. advertisement | 18. superfluous |
| 19. decisive (dɛ cɪ'sɪve) | 19. attentively |
| 20. astound | 20. forfeiture |
| 21. intellect | 21. associate |
| 22. endurance | 22. disperse |
| 23. manifest | 23. cordiality |
| 24. supposing | 24. deceivable |
| 25. necessity | 25. encourage |

In the words in this column
the vowel changes should be
carefully noted.

stratagem

strategy

explain

explanation

prevail

prevalence

proclaim

proclamation

maintain

maintenance

villain

villanous

declaim

declamation

pronounce

pronunciation

bounteous

bountiful

speak

speech

curious

curiosity

engagement

engaging

1. discipline

2. insurance

3. preference

4. convenient

5. energetic

6. assistance

7. perpetually

8. commission

9. miniature

10. possessor

11. invincible

12. diminish

13. heirloom

14. distinction

15. merchandise

16. ascended

17. partially

18. manifold

19. complexion

20. daintiness

21. endorse

22. animation

23. conference

24. disappear

25. invisible

26. signature

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| 1. propriety | 1. intelligent |
| 2. residue | 2. persuasion |
| 3. coupon (kōō'pōn) | 3. inseparable |
| 4. absolutely | 4. disposition 2 |
| 5. query | 5. additional |
| 6. luxurious | 6. memorize |
| 7. clemency | 7. emptiness |
| 8. perceptible | 8. ignore |
| 9. forbearance | 9. appearance |
| 10. assemblage | 10. session |
| 11. temperature | 11. cession |
| 12. injurious | 12. gallantly |
| 13. complete | 13. mysterious |
| 14. similarity | 14. chastise |
| 15. irritate | 15. encroach |
| 16. performance | 16. despondent |
| 17. mischief | 17. gazette |
| 18. oratory | 18. obliging |
| 19. routine (rōō tēēn') | 19. appertain |
| 20. conscious | 20. morocco |
| 21. occurrence | 21. myriad |
| 22. publicity | 22. waltz |
| 23. variable | 23. anxious |
| 24. civilian | 24. restraint |
| 25. athlete | 25. proficient |

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| 1. military | 1. convenience |
| 2. siege | 2. ingenuity |
| 3. cavalry | 3. sufficient |
| 4. regiment | 4. aromatic } |
| 5. garrison | 5. spicy } |
| 6. bayonet | 6. accidentally |
| 7. knapsack | 7. specific |
| 8. ammunition | 8. interfere |
| 9. invasion | 9. destruction |
| 10. recruit | 10. manageable |
| 11. veteran | 11. license |
| 12. pension | 12. accountable |
| 13. volley | 13. obligation |
| 14. carnage | 14. systematic |
| 15. fortification | 15. eruption |
| 16. intrench | 16. grandeur |
| 17. frontier | 17. annoyance |
| 18. campaign | 18. vindictive |
| 19. belligerent { (bél lîj' ěr
ěnt) | 19. apparent |
| 20. forage | 20. boisterous |
| 21. magazine | 21. obstinate |
| 22. arsenal | 22. efficient |
| 23. furlough (fur' lô) | 23. skeleton |
| 24. ambushade { (ăm-bus-
cāde') | 24. appropriate |
| 25. dragoon | 25. diminutive |

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| 1. government { (gʊv'urn-
mɛnt) | 1. aggravate |
| 2. capability | 2. Japanese |
| 3. eloquence | 3. adequate |
| 4. horizon (hɔ̃ rĩ'zɔ̃n) | 4. ceremonial |
| 5. zenith | 5. intimacy |
| 6. British | 6. caravan |
| 7. treatise | 7. audacity |
| 8. acquittal | 8. dispense |
| 9. cleanliness { (klɛn' lɪ-
nɛss) | 9. scientific |
| 10. demeanor | 10. acknowledge |
| 11. ancestral | 11. musician |
| 12. congeal | 12. sanguine |
| 13. intervene | 13. definition |
| 14. secession | 14. inauguration |
| 15. avarice | 15. accumulate |
| 16. marriageable | 16. certificate |
| 17. visage | 17. allege (ɔ̃ lɛj') |
| 18. antiquity | 18. liability |
| 19. chasten (chɔ̃s'sn) | 19. artificial |
| 20. especially | 20. disappearance |
| 21. apprehend | 21. notification |
| 22. resident | 22. replenish |
| 23. association | 23. integrity |
| 24. disdain | 24. expedient |
| 25. successful | 25. mountainous |

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| 1. education | 1. jewel (not jewl) |
| 2. academy | 2. ruby |
| 3. college | 3. emerald |
| 4. university | 4. pearl |
| 5. instruction | 5. topaz |
| 6. knowledge | 6. diamond |
| 7. graduation | 7. opal |
| 8. studious | 8. sapphire |
| 9. physics | 9. onyx |
| 10. logic | 10. agate |
| 11. chemistry | 11. garnet |
| 12. biography | 12. coral (kōr' əl) |
| 13. preceptor | 13. turquoise |
| 14. tuition | 14. amethyst |
| 15. classic | 15. malachite |
| 16. elocution | 16. precious |
| 17. teachable | 17. carat (kār' ət) |
| 18. docile | 18. brilliant |
| 19. recitation | 19. solitaire |
| 20. Latin | 20. comedy |
| 21. committee | 21. tragedy |
| 22. catalogue | 22. burlesque |
| 23. dictionary | 23. rehearsal |
| 24. pamphlet | 24. orchestra |
| 25. document | 25. audience |

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| 1. persevere | 1. sarcasm |
| 2. guarantee | 2. precedent |
| 3. surgery | 3. disapproval |
| 4. ominous | 4. superbly |
| 5. depression | 5. accede |
| 6. militia (mī'lish'yā) | 6. abbreviate |
| 7. infinite | 7. abridge |
| 8. muscular | 8. treachery |
| 9. disguise | 9. concession |
| 10. inquisitive | 10. relinquish |
| 11. feasible | 11. photograph |
| 12. linguist | 12. anticipate |
| 13. sediment | 13. fragility |
| 14. opportunity | 14. tenacious |
| 15. atrocious | 15. incessant |
| 16. intercede | 16. exchangeable |
| 17. beneficial | 17. acid |
| 18. persuasive | 18. penetration |
| 19. nuisance | 19. officious |
| 20. avoidable | 20. option |
| 21. evasive | 21. syllable |
| 22. accusation | 22. accommodation |
| 23. inconvenient | 23. supersede |
| 24. economy | 24. version |
| 25. interrogation | 25. sympathy |

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| 1. admissible | | 1. apology |
| 2. description | | 2. impassible |
| 3. imagination | | 3. difference |
| 4. magnificence | | 4. accompany |
| 5. accessible | | 5. physical |
| 6. judicious | | 6. indefinite |
| 7. digression | | 7. credibility |
| 8. fieriness | | 8. appreciate |
| 9. available | | 9. emphasis |
| 10. antagonist | } (õp põ' nent) | 10. agitation |
| 11. adversary | | 11. correspondence |
| 12. opponent | | 12. audacious |
| 13. chemical | | 13. daring |
| 14. grievance | | 14. possibility |
| 15. irresolute | | 15. asylum |
| 16. pittance | | 16. indifferent |
| 17. condense | | 17. amiability |
| 18. announcement | | 18. serenity |
| 19. deviate | | 19. atmosphere |
| 20. liquefaction | | 20. vista |
| 21. acquaintance | | 21. leniency |
| 22. conspiracy | | 22. clemency |
| 23. irritation | | 23. picturesque |
| 24. primitive | { (eks-trõr'-
dñ-äry
not eks-
träõr'din-
ary) | 24. jubilee |
| 25. extraordinary | | 25. irresistible |

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| 1. mathematics | 1. syntax |
| 2. astronomy | 2. declension |
| 3. geometry | 3. conjugation |
| 4. algebra | 4. infinitive |
| 5. proportion | 5. imperative |
| 6. area | 6. participle |
| 7. vertex | 7. synonym |
| 8. axiom | 8. accusative |
| 9. diagonal | 9. genitive |
| 10. perpendicular | 10. synopsis |
| 11. parallel | 11. relative |
| 12. diameter | 12. antecedent |
| 13. circumference | 13. comparative |
| 14. radius | 14. comparison |
| 15. triangle | 15. positive |
| 16. oblique | 16. superlative |
| 17. obtuse 2 | 17. analysis, <i>pl. ses</i> |
| 18. acute 2 | 18. idiom |
| 19. coincide | 19. preposition |
| 20. ellipse | 20. conjunction |
| 21. ratio | 21. interjection |
| 22. sphere | 22. interrogative |
| 23. equivalent | 23. vocabulary |
| 24. integer | 24. adverbially |
| 25. dimension | 25. paragraph |

1. delicacy	1. mischievous { (^{mĭs'} chĕ- vŭs)
2. pestilence	2. superbly
3. solicit	3. telegraph
4. idolatry	4. necessitate
5. jealousy	5. reproach
6. discussion	6. aqueduct
7. consequence	7. mahogany
8. mercury	8. subsequent
9. significant	9. recollection
10. autograph	10. triumph
11. countenance	11. delineate
12. suffocate	12. accordance
13. caustic	13. responsible
14. sincerity	14. atom
15. crisis	15. digestible
16. exhort	16. adversity
17. intensity	17. dialogue
18. appliance	18. celestial
19. medicinal	19. specification
20. annuity	20. advantageous
21. repetition	21. dilemma
22. intelligently	22. sanitary
23. resistance	23. counterfeit
24. Swedish	24. anniversary
25. reservoir	25. dispense

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| 1. acquiesce | 1. ceremonious |
| 2. falcon (faw'kŏn) | 2. negotiate |
| 3. desecrate | 3. accrue |
| 4. arrears | 4. impolitic |
| 5. languor | 5. collapse |
| 6. aggressor | 6. tyranny |
| 7. apologize | 7. condescend |
| 8. conciliate | 8. acquisition |
| 9. marauder | 9. receptacle |
| 10. judicial | 10. conspicuous |
| 11. embassy (ĕm' bāssy) | 11. appendix |
| 12. occupant | 12. contempt |
| 13. schedule (skĕd'yŭle) | 13. insensible |
| 14. atrocity | 14. scheme |
| 15. colleague (kŏl' lĕg) | 15. consciously |
| 16. almighty } | 16. mucilage |
| 17. omnipotent } | 17. socially |
| 18. applause | 18. tantalize |
| 19. continuance | 19. ascertainable |
| 20. supremacy | 20. preparatory |
| 21. tedious { (tĕ'dyus or tĕd'yŭs
not tĕ'jus) | 21. supposition |
| 22. insufficient | 22. accelerate |
| 23. monogram | 23. reparation |
| 24. hypocrite | 24. intellectual |
| 25. auxiliary (āwg-zil'ya-re) | 25. solemnity |

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| 1. bachelor | 1. vengeance |
| 2. resurrection | 2. recommendation |
| 3. discernment | 3. touching |
| 4. successive | 4. sympathize |
| 5. initiate | 5. representative |
| 6. pernicious | 6. subjugate |
| 7. retaliate | 7. preferably |
| 8. gaseous | 8. independence |
| 9. edifice | 9. efficacy |
| 10. gorgeous | 10. apprentice |
| 11. politician | 11. dissimilar |
| 12. transient | 12. emphasize |
| 13. unprejudiced | 13. vivacious |
| 14. rapacity | 14. aggression |
| 15. alacrity (ə lăk' rĭ tŷ) | 15. discouragement |
| 16. laboratory | 16. mathematical |
| 17. alternately (ăl tĕr' nate lŷ) | 17. fallible |
| 18. pathetic | 18. extravagant |
| 19. despicable (dĕs' pĭc able) | 19. acknowledgment |
| 20. abyss | 20. civilization |
| 21. mirage (mĭr äzh') | 21. mercenary |
| 22. cipher | 22. competition |
| 23. melancholy | 23. delinquent |
| 24. Egyptian | 24. compressible |
| 25. deficiency | 25. filigree |

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| 1. amateur | 1. zephyr |
| 2. credential | 2. parliament |
| 3. sanction | 3. indefensible |
| 4. courtier (kört'yər) | 4. nutritious |
| 5. dissuade | 5. dilapidate |
| 6. participate | 6. persistence |
| 7. condolence (côn dō' lēnce) | 7. anticipation |
| 8. precipice | 8. lacerate |
| 9. transparent | 9. coincidence |
| 10. opaque | 10. crocodile |
| 11. caricature | 11. lizard |
| 12. legibility | 12. alligator |
| 13. metre | 13. myrtle |
| 14. impropriety | 14. acidity |
| 15. promenade | 15. monastery |
| 16. mechanism | 16. aristocracy |
| 17. ambassador | 17. category |
| 18. suspicious | 18. vestige |
| 19. incendiary | 19. tableau |
| 20. remittance | 20. surfeit |
| 21. interference | 21. refugee |
| 22. preliminary | 22. inflammation |
| 23. vanilla | 23. mucous |
| 24. contemptible | 24. nausea |
| 25. taciturn (tās' Y turn) | 25. aquarium |

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| 1. consciousness | 1. ménagerie (mĕn ā' zhě rē) |
| 2. propitiate | 2. impertinence |
| 3. susceptible | 3. succumb |
| 4. ingratiate | 4. cocoon |
| 5. sonorous (sō nō' rŭs) | 5. indispensable |
| 6. dissatisfaction | 6. hereditary |
| 7. perseverance | 7. apprehension |
| 8. analyze | 8. efficacious |
| 9. philanthropy | 9. serenade |
| 10. symptom | 10. niche |
| 11. reciprocity | 11. penitentiary |
| 12. chorus | 12. irretrievable |
| 13. obstinacy | 13. enthusiastic |
| 14. predecessor | 14. preëminent |
| 15. tragedian | 15. sorcery |
| 16. masquerade | 16. phenomenon |
| 17. optician | 17. vicious |
| 18. architecture | 18. petroleum |
| 19. lyceum (lī sē' ŭm) | 19. unanimous |
| 20. theoretical | 20. lieu |
| 21. approbation | 21. eccentric |
| 22. negotiable | 22. vogue |
| 23. hyphen | 23. aghast |
| 24. analytical | 24. vivacity |
| 25. embarrass | 25. compete |

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| 1. legal | 1. exhilarate |
| 2. prosecute | 2. guinea |
| 3. litigation | 3. macaroni |
| 4. evidence | 4. macaroon |
| 5. testimony | 5. spherical |
| 6. acquit | 6. mechanical |
| 7. plea | 7. stringency |
| 8. equity | 8. accomplice |
| 9. inquest | 9. commercial |
| 10. appraise (apprāse') | 10. eulogy |
| 11. legitimate | 11. consistent |
| 12. alibi | 12. vouch |
| 13. juror | 13. admissibility |
| 14. title | 14. competitive |
| 15. estate | 15. vermilion |
| 16. alien | 16. copious |
| 17. sue | 17. abridgment |
| 18. defendant | 18. irrigate |
| 19. plaintiff | 19. epithet |
| 20. plaintive | 20. cylinder |
| 21. affidavit | 21. grotesque |
| 22. bequeath | 22. luscious |
| 23. attorney | 23. ascendancy |
| 24. codicil | 24. perquisite |
| 25. executor | 25. recipient |

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| 1. subtle (sŭtl) | 1. treacherous |
| 2. pyramid | 2. characteristic |
| 3. avaricious | 3. dissipation |
| 4. benign (bə nīne') | 4. insatiable |
| 5. aggregation | 5. conscientious |
| 6. parasite | 6. manoeuvre |
| 7. variegated (vā' rĭ ě gāt ed) | 7. criticise |
| 8. symmetrical | 8. annihilate |
| 9. weird (wērd) | 9. sumach |
| 10. allegory | 10. chandelier |
| 11. emaciate | 11. myrrh |
| 12. cyclone (cŷ'clone) | 12. technical |
| 13. assiduous | 13. recurrence |
| 14. vitiate (vĭsh'ē āte) | 14. oscillate |
| 15. oxygen | 15. coalesce |
| 16. hydrogen | 16. massacre |
| 17. reminiscence | 17. pavilion |
| 18. intricacy | 18. souvenir |
| 19. astringent (ās trĭn' jĕnt) | 19. iridescent |
| 20. vehemence (vē' hĕ mĕnce) | 20. anarchy |
| 21. etiquette | 21. inoculate |
| 22. ludicrous (lŭ' dĭ krŭs) | 22. irascible |
| 23. epoch (ĕp' ōk) | 23. metaphor |
| 24. mathematician | 24. subterraneous |
| 25. intrigue (in trĕg') | 25. enthusiasm |

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| 1. druggist | 1. catarrh |
| 2. apothecary | 2. typhoid |
| 3. ammonia | 3. chronic |
| 4. elixir | 4. rheumatism |
| 5. quinine | 5. jaundice |
| 6. camphor | 6. cholera |
| 7. sulphur | 7. asthma |
| 8. cologne | 8. paralysis |
| 9. alcohol | 9. vaccinate |
| 10. strychnine | 10. ulcer |
| 11. opium | 11. abscess |
| 12. turpentine | 12. bronchitis (brŏn kī'tis) |
| 13. paregoric | 13. epidemic |
| 14. laudanum | 14. infection |
| 15. glycerine or glycerin | 15. contagion |
| 16. chloroform | 16. convalesce |
| 17. nitre | 17. physician |
| 18. magnesia | 18. oculist |
| 19. sassafras | 19. anatomy |
| 20. alum | 20. instrument |
| 21. essence | 21. apparatus |
| 22. tincture | 22. telescope |
| 23. spirit | 23. microscope |
| 24. liniment | 24. chronometer |
| 25. lineament | 25. phonograph |

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| 1. bazaar | 1. ecstasy |
| 2. phlegm | 2. convalescence |
| 3. ostensible | 3. avoirdupois |
| 4. propitious | 4. precocious |
| 5. jeopardy | 5. mediæval (mĕd ē ē' val) |
| 6. susceptibility | 6. phaeton |
| 7. vicissitude | 7. connoisseur |
| 8. coalition | 8. encyclopædia { (ĕn sī
klŏ pē'
dĕ ə) |
| 9. ochre | 9. anonymous |
| 10. pertinacity | 10. pendulum |
| 11. subservience | 11. barometer |
| 12. chrysalis | 12. telephone |
| 13. naphtha | 13. caterpillar |
| 14. soliloquy | 14. hygiene |
| 15. innuendo | 15. labyrinth |
| 16. rhubarb | 16. zoölogy |
| 17. authenticity | 17. anachronism |
| 18. surreptitious | 18. hypocrisy |
| 19. assassin | 19. abstemious |
| 20. omniscient | 20. raspberry |
| 21. chaos | 21. asparagus |
| 22. synonymous | 22. mignonette |
| 23. analogy | 23. hyacinth |
| 24. reconnoitre | 24. geranium |
| 25. catastrophe | 25. honeysuckle |

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| 1. Adirondack | 1. Agassiz (äg' ä sē) |
| 2. Algiers | 2. Beethoven (bā' tō vn) |
| 3. Amherst (äm'erst) | 3. Bonaparte |
| 4. Annapolis | 4. Cæsar |
| 5. Bordeaux (bōr dō') | 5. Carlyle |
| 6. Brooklyn | 6. Charlemagne { (shār'lē-
mān) |
| 7. Chesapeake | 7. Cicero |
| 8. Cincinnati | 8. Disræli (diz rā' lē) |
| 9. Des Moines (də moin') | 9. Dumas (du mǎ') |
| 10. Dubuque (du būk') | 10. Euclid |
| 11. Edinburgh { (ēd' in-
būr rō) | 11. Froude (frood) |
| 12. Egypt | 12. Goethe (gēh' tā) |
| 13. Guernsey | 13. Hannibal |
| 14. Hayti (hā' tē) | 14. Herodotus |
| 15. Kennebec | 15. Linnæus (līn nē' us) |
| 16. Leicester (lē's' tēr) | 16. Mendelssohn |
| 17. Marseilles (mār sails') | 17. Montaigne (mōn tān') |
| 18. Mediterranean | 18. Napoleon |
| 19. Pyrenees | 19. Rousseau (rous sō') |
| 20. Quebec | 20. Schuyler |
| 21. St. Louis | 21. Tennyson |
| 22. San Francisco | 22. Thackeray |
| 23. Syracuse | 23. Ulysses |
| 24. Thames (tēmz) | 24. Voltaire |
| 25. Worcester (wūs' ter) | 25. Whittier |

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Alaska, Alaska.	Montana, Mont.
Arizona, Ariz.	Nebraska, Nebr.
Arkansas, Ark.	Nevada, Nev.
California, Cal.	New Hampshire, N. H.
Colorado, Colo.	New Jersey, N. J.
Connecticut, Conn.	New Mexico, N. Mex.
Delaware, Del.	New York, N. Y.
District of Columbia, D.C.	North Carolina, N. C.
Florida, Fla.	North Dakota, N. Dak.
Georgia, Ga.	Ohio, Ohio.
Idaho, Idaho.	Oregon, Oregon.
Illinois, Ill.	Pennsylvania, Pa.
Indiana, Ind.	Rhode Island, R. I.
Indian Territory, Ind. T.	South Carolina, S. C.
Iowa, Iowa.	South Dakota, S. Dak.
Kansas, Kans.	Tennessee, Tenn.
Kentucky, Ky.	Texas, Tex.
Louisiana, La.	Utah, Utah.
Maine, Me.	Vermont, Vt.
Maryland, Md.	Virginia, Va.
Massachusetts, Mass.	Washington, Wash.
Michigan, Mich.	West Virginia, W. Va.
Minnesota, Minn.	Wisconsin, Wis.
Mississippi, Miss.	Wyoming, Wyo.

FRENCH WORDS.

depot (dā pō')	valet (vāl'lā)
a storehouse, not a railway station.	
corps (kōr)	chaperon (shăp' ər ōn)
debris (dā brē')	protégé (prō tē zhā')
encore (āng kōr')	chateau (shā tō')
debut (dā bū')	boudoir (boo dwor')
café (kăf ā')	piquant (pŭk' ant)
bijou (bē zhoo')	bouquet (bô kay')
entree (āng tray')	résumé (rēz' u may')
negligee (nēg lē zhā')	prestige (prēs teezh')
apropos (ăp rō pō')	coupé (koo pay')
pique (pēēk)	memoir (mēm wār)
bivouac (bŭv' wăk)	vignette (vŭn yēt')
trousseau (trou sō')	cuisine (kwē zēne')
rendezvous (rōn' dē vou)	naïve (nā' ēv)
blanc-mange (blā mōnj')	tulle (tool)
coterie (kō tē rē')	sortie (sor tēē')
cognac (kōn' yăk)	vis-a-vis (vŭz' ā vē)
surveillance (sŭr vāl yăns')	parquet (pār kay')
elite (ā lēte')	ennui (ăn wē')

The pronunciation of these words can be learned only from a French scholar.

RULES FOR SPELLING.

The formation of derivative words is subject to a few rules which, notwithstanding the exceptions to them, may be of use.

RULE I.

Monosyllables, and words accented on the last syllable, ending in a single consonant preceded by a single vowel, double the final consonant before an affix beginning with a vowel.

occur	beg	forget	hot	blot
occurrence	beggar	forgetting	hottest	blotting

Exception.—When the original accent is thrown back the final consonant is not doubled. *Refer', ré'ference ; prefer', pré'ference.*

Where Rule I. does not apply, the final consonant is not doubled.

bind	appear	answer	offer	yacht
binding	appearance	answerable	offering	yachting

RULE II.

Final 'y', preceded by a consonant, is changed to 'i' before an affix.

spy	merry	busy	happy	pity
spied	merrier	busily	happier	pitiful
spies	merrily	business	happiness	pitied

Exceptions.—1. After 't' the 'y' is changed into 'e' before *ous*: as, *piteous, beauteous.*

2. Before *ing* or *ish* the 'y' is retained, to avoid the doubling of 'i': as, *spying, pitying.*

3. In the possessive singular of nouns 'y' is never changed: as, *spy's, fly's.*

4. 'y' is not changed in derivatives of *dry*, *shy*, *sky*, *sly*, *spry*, *wry*; except *drier*, *driest*, which conform to Rule II.

Final 'y', preceded by a vowel, is not changed to 'i' before an affix.

pay	destroy	joy	buy	buoy
payment	destroyer	joyful	buyer	buoyant

Except laid, paid, staid, daily.

RULE III.

Words ending in silent 'e' drop 'e' on taking an affix beginning with a vowel.

force	love	fame	sole	sale
forcible	loving	famous	saling	salable

Exceptions.—1. Words ending in 'ce' or 'ge' retain the 'e' before *able* or *ous*, in order to keep the soft sound of the 'c' or 'g': as, *outrageous*, *peaceable*.

2. *Hoeing*, *mileage*, *toeing*, *shoeing*; in *dyeing*, *singeing* the 'e' is retained to distinguish the words from *dying*, *singing*.

3. Words ending in 'ie' drop 'e' and change 'i' to 'y' on adding *ing*: as, *lying*, *dying*.

The 'e' is retained on taking an affix beginning with a consonant: as,

ripe	polite	noise	state	apprentice
ripeness	politely	noiseless	statement	apprenticeship

Except duly, truly, wholly, awful, argument, abridgment, acknowledgment, judgment, and a few others.

PLURAL OF NOUNS.

The plural of most nouns is formed by adding 's', or when the noun ends with a sound that does not unite with 's', (*ch* soft, *s*, *sh*, *x*, *z*,) 'es' to the singular: as, *book*, *books*; *box*, *boxes*.

Nouns ending in 'y' after a consonant, change 'y' to 'i' and add 'es': as, *lady*, *ladies*.

Nouns ending in 'y' after a vowel are regular: as, *toy*, *toys*.

Nouns ending in 'o' preceded by another vowel, form the plural by the addition of 's': as, *cameo*, *cameos*. If final 'o' is preceded by a consonant the plural is usually formed by adding 'es': as, *negro*, *negroes*.

Derivatives in 'ful' are regular: as, *mouthfuls*, *cupfuls*.

The formation of plurals to which these rules do not apply is to be learned from observation. The following are a few examples of nouns with irregular plurals: *tooth*, *teeth*; *mouse*, *mice*; *loaf*, *loaves*; *woman*, *women*; *goose*, *geese*; *ox*, *oxen*; *child*, *children*; *sheep*, *sheep*.

POSSESSIVE CASE.

The possessive case of nouns, singular or plural, is formed by adding an apostrophe and 's': *the man's work*; *the men's work*.

When, however, the noun, singular or plural, ends in 's', an apostrophe only is added: *the boys' heads*; *John Adams' office*.

DICTATION EXERCISES.

The words to be studied especially are printed in italics. These exercises may be used also for parsing. The selections from Lowell, Hawthorne and Emerson are printed by the kind permission of Messrs. Houghton, Mifflin & Co.

I.

The sun was shining slantwise over the field, and showed all the moist, dark soil just like any other newly planted piece of ground. All at once, Cadmus fancied he saw something glisten very brightly, first at one spot, then at another, and then at a hundred and a thousand spots together. Soon he perceived them to be the steel heads of spears, sprouting up everywhere like so many stalks of grain, and continually growing taller and taller. Next appeared a vast number of bright sword-blades, thrusting themselves up in the same way. A moment afterwards the whole surface of the ground was broken up by a multitude of polished brass helmets, coming up like a crop of enormous beans. So rapidly did they grow, that Cadmus now discerned the fierce countenance of a man beneath every one. In short, before he had time to think what a wonderful affair it was, he beheld an abundant harvest of what looked like human beings, armed with helmets and breastplates, shields, swords and spears; and before they were

well out of the *earth*, they *brandished their weapons*, and *clashed* them one against another, *seeming to think*, little while as they had yet lived, that they had *wasted too much* of life without a battle. Every *tooth* of the dragon had *produced* one of *these* sons of *deadly mischief*.

Up *sprouted, also*, a great many *trumpeters*; and with the first *breath* that they drew, they put *their* brazen trumpets to their lips, and sounded a *tremendous* and *ear-shattering* blast; so that the whole space, just now so *quiet* and *solitary*, *reverberated* with the *clash* and *clang* of arms, the bray of war-like music, and the *shouts* of *angry* men. So *enraged* did they all look, that Cadmus *fully expected* them to put the *whole* world to the sword. How *fortunate* would it be for a great *conqueror*, if he could get a *bushel* of the dragon's *teeth* to sow.—Hawthorne, "*Tanglewood Tales*."

II.

Straight downward, two or three thousand feet below him, Perseus *perceived* a small *island*, with the sea *breaking* into white *foam* all around its rocky shore, *except* on one side, *where there* was a *beach* of *snowy* sand. He *descended towards* it, and, looking *earnestly* at a cluster or *heap* of brightness, at the foot of a *precipice* of black rocks, behold, there were the *terrible* Gorgons! They lay fast *asleep*, *soothed* by the thunder of the sea; for it *required* a tumult that *would* have *deafened everybody* else to

lull such *fierce creatures* into slumber. The moonlight *glistened* on *their steely scales*, and on their golden wings, *which drooped idly* over the sand. Their *brazen claws*, *horrible to look at*, were thrust out, and *clutched* the wave-beaten fragments of rock, while the *sleeping Gorgons dreamed of tearing* some poor mortal all to *pieces*. The snakes that served them *instead of hair-seemed* likewise to be asleep; *although*, now and then, one would *writhe*, and lift its head, and thrust out its forked *tongue*, *emitting* a *drowsy* hiss, and then let *itself subside* among its sister snakes.

The Gorgons were more like an *awful, gigantic* kind of *insect*,—*immense, golden-winged beetles*, or *dragon-flies*, or things of that sort,—at once ugly and *beautiful*,—than like *anything* else; only that they were a thousand and a *million* times as big. And, with all this, there was something partly *human* about them, too. *Luckily* for Perseus, their faces were *completely hidden* from him by the *posture* in which they lay; for, had he but looked one instant at them, he would have *fallen heavily* out of the *air*, an *image of senseless stone*.—*Hawthorne, "Wonder-Book."*

III.

I *visited various* parts of my own *country*, and had I been *merely influenced* by a love of fine *scenery*, I should have *felt little desire* to *seek elsewhere* its *gratification*; for on no country had the charms of nature been more *prodigally lavished*. Her *mighty*

lakes, like *oceans* of *liquid* silver; her *mountains*, with *their* bright *aërial* tints; her *valleys*, *teeming* with wild *fertility*; her *tremendous* *cataracts*, *thundering* in their *solitudes*; her *boundless* *plains*, *waving* with *spontaneous* *verdure*; her *broad*, *deep* *rivers*, *rolling* in *solemn* *silence* to the ocean; her *trackless* *forests*, *where* *vegetation* puts forth all its *magnificence*; her *skies*, *kindling* with the *magic* of *summer* clouds and *glorious* *sunshine*:—no, never need an American look *beyond* his own country for the *sublime* and *beautiful* of *natural* *scenery*.

But *Europe* held forth all the charms of *storied* and *poetical* *association*. There were to be seen the *masterpieces* of art, the *refinements* of highly *cultivated* *society*, the *quaint* *peculiarities* of *ancient* and *local* *custom*. My native country was full of *youthful* *promise*; *Europe* was rich in the *accumulated* *treasures* of age. Her very *ruins* told the *history* of times gone by, and every *mouldering* stone was a *chronicle*. I longed to wander over the *scenes* of *renowned* *achievement*—to *tread*, as it were, in the *footsteps* of *antiquity*—to *loiter* about the *ruined* *castle*—to *meditate* on the *falling* *tower*—to *escape*, in short, from the *common-place* *realities* of the present, and *lose* myself among the *shadowy* *grandeurs* of the past.—Irving, “*Sketch Book*.”

IV.

But have you ever rightly *considered* what the *mere* *ability* to read means? That it is the key which admits us to the whole world of *thought* and

fancy and imagination? to the company of *saint* and *sage*, of the *wisest* and the *wittiest* at their wisest and wittiest moment? That it *enables* us to see with the *keenest eyes*, *hear* with the finest ears, and *listen* to the *sweetest voices* of all time. More than that, it *annihilates* time and space for us; it *revives* for us without a *miracle* the age of wonder, *endowing* us with the *shoes* of swiftness and the cap of darkness, so that we walk *invisible* like *fern-seed*, and *witness unharmed* the *plague* at *Athens* or *Flurence* or *London*; *accompany Cæsar* on his *marches*, or look in on *Catiline* in *council* with his fellow *conspirators*, or *Guy Fawkes* in the *cellar* of *St. Stephen's*. We often hear of *people* who will *descend* to any *servility*, *submit* to any *insult*, for the sake of *getting* themselves or *their children* into what is *euphemistically* called good *society*. Did it ever occur to them that *there* is a *select society* of all the *centuries* to which they and *theirs* can be *admitted* for the *asking*, a *society*, too, which will not involve them in *ruinous expense* and still more ruinous *waste* of time and *health* and *faculties*?—*Lowell, Address on "Books and Libraries."*

V.

One is *sometimes* asked by young *people* to *recommend* a *course* of reading. My *advice* would be that they should confine themselves to the *supreme* books in *whatever literature*, or still better to *choose* some one great *author*, and make themselves *thoroughly familiar* with him. For, as all roads lead to

Rome, so do they *likewise* lead away from it, and you will find that, in order to understand *perfectly* and *weigh exactly any vital piece* of literature, you will be *gradually* and *pleasantly persuaded* to *excursions* and *explorations* of which you little dreamed when you began, and will find *yourselves scholars* before you are *aware*. For remember that there is nothing less *profitable* than *scholarship* for the mere sake of scholarship, nor anything more *wearisome* in the *attainment*. But the moment you have a *definite aim*, *attention* is *quickened*, the mother of memory, and all that you *acquire groups* and *arranges* itself in an order that is *lucid*, *because everywhere* and always it is in *intelligent* relation to a *central* object of *constant* and growing *interest*. This *method* also forces upon us the *necessity* of thinking, which is, after all, the highest result of all *education*. For what we want is not *learning*, but *knowledge*; that is, the power to make learning *answer* its true end as a quickener of *intelligence* and a *widener* of our *intellectual sympathies*.—Lowell, *Address on "Books and Libraries."*

VI.

Language is the *amber* in which a thousand *precious* and *subtle thoughts* have been safely *embedded* and *preserved*. It has *arrested* ten thousand *lightning* flashes of *genius*, which, unless thus fixed and *arrested*, might have been as bright, but would have also been as *quickly passing* and *perishing*, as the

lightning. "Words convey the mental treasures of one period to the generations that follow; and, laden with this, their precious freight, they sail safely across gulfs of time in which empires have suffered shipwreck, and the languages of common life have sunk into oblivion."

And, for all these reasons, far more and mightier in every way is a language than any one of the works which may have been composed in it. For that work, great as it may be, is but the embodying of the mind of a single man; this, of a nation. The *Iliad* is great; yet not so great in strength or power or beauty as the Greek language. *Paradise Lost* is a noble possession for a people to have inherited; but the English tongue is a nobler heritage yet.

Great, then, will be our gains, if, having these treasures of wisdom and knowledge lying round about us, we determine that we will make what portion of them we can our own; that we will ask the words we use to give an account of themselves,—to say whence they are, and whither they tend. Then shall we often rub off the dust and rust from what seemed but a common token, which we had taken and given a thousand times, esteeming it no better, but which now we shall perceive to be a precious coin, bearing the image and superscription of the great king.

Then shall we discover that there is a reality about words; that they are not merely arbitrary signs, but living powers; not like the sands of the sea, innumerable disconnected atoms, but growing out of roots,

clustering in *families*, *connecting* and *intertwining* themselves with all that men have been *doing* and *thinking* and *feeling*, from the *beginning* of the world till now. We should thus grow in our *feeling* of *connection* with the past, and of *gratitude* and *reverence* towards it; we should *estimate* more *truly*, and *therefore* more highly, what it has done for us, all that it has *bequeathed* to us, all that it has made *ready* to our hands.—Trench, “*On the Study of Words.*”

VII.

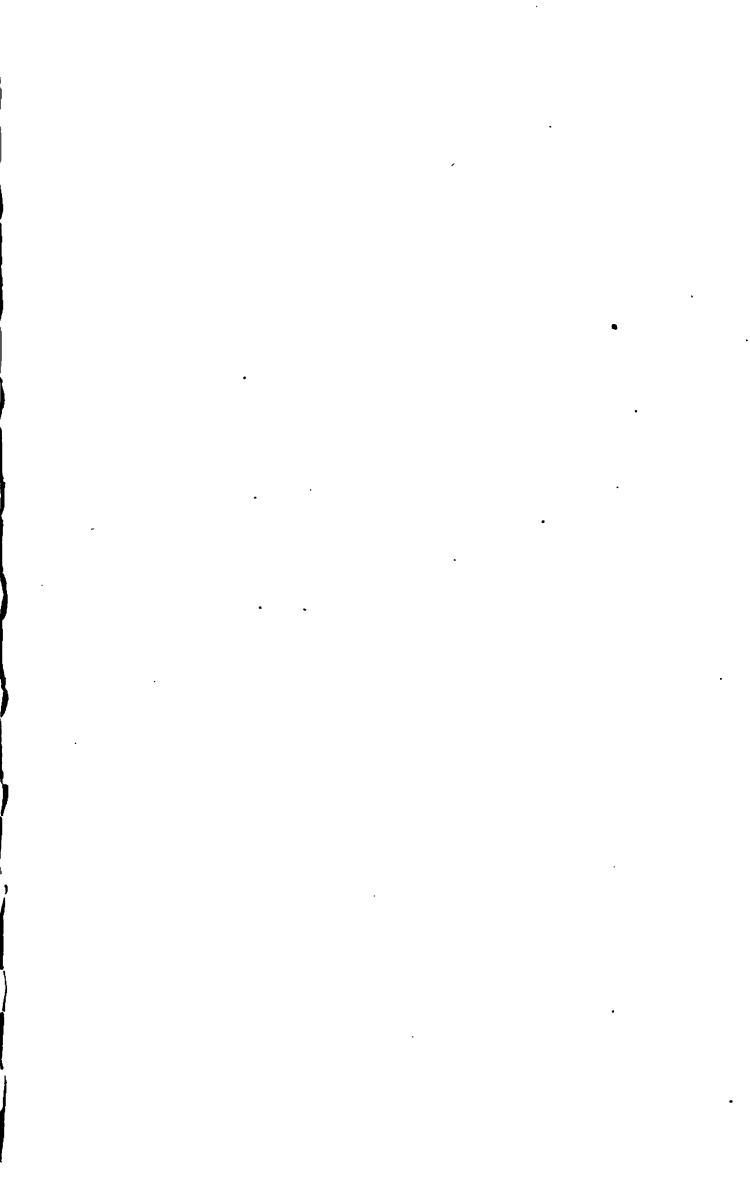
The world is grown so full of *dissimulation* and *compliment* that men's words are hardly any *signification* of their thoughts; and if any man *measure* his words by his heart, and speak as he thinks, and do not express more kindness to every man than men *usually* have for any man, he can hardly escape the *censure* of want of *breeding*. The old English *plainness* and *sincerity*, that *generous integrity* of nature and *honesty* of *disposition* which always *argues* true *greatness* of mind, and is *usually* accompanied with *undaunted courage* and *resolution*, is in a great measure lost amongst us. There hath been a long *endeavor* to transform us into *foreign manners* and *fashions*, and to bring us to a *servile imitation* of none of the best of our *neighbors* in some of the worst of their *qualities*. The *dialect* of *conversation* is now-a-days so *swelled* with *vanity* and *compliment*, and so *surfeited*, as I may say, of *expressions* of kindness and respect, that if a man

that lived an age or two ago should return into the world again, he would really want a *dictionary* to help him to understand his own *language*, and to know the true *intrinsic value* of the *phrase* in *fashion*, and would hardly at first *believe* at what a low rate the highest *strains* and *expressions* of kindness *imaginable* do *commonly* pass in *current* payment; and when he should come to understand it, it would be a great while before he could bring himself with a good *countenance* and a good *conscience* to *converse* with men upon *equal* terms, and in their own way.—Addison, “*Sir Roger de Coverley*.”

VIII.

What fact more *conspicuous* in modern *history* than the *creation* of the *gentleman*? *Chivalry* is that, and *loyalty* is that, and, in *English literature*, half the *drama*, and all the *novels*, from *Sir Philip Sidney* to *Sir Walter Scott*, paint this figure. The word *gentleman*, which, like the word *Christian*, must *hereafter* *characterize* the *present* and the few *preceding centuries*, by the *importance* attached to it, is a *homage* to *personal* and *incommunicable properties*. *Frivolous* and *fantastic additions* have got *associated* with the name, but the *steady interest* of mankind in it must be *attributed* to the *valuable properties* which it *designates*. An *element* which unites all the most *forcible* persons of every country; makes them *intelligible* and *agreeable* to each other, and is somewhat so *precise*, that it is at once

felt if an *individual* lack the *masonic* sign, cannot be any *casual* product, but must be an *average* result of the *character* and *faculties* *universally* found in men. It seems a *certain permanent average*; as the *atmosphere* is a *permanent composition*, whilst so many *gases* are combined only to be decompounded.—*Emerson, Essay on "Manners."*





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